
A BILL FOR AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII'S LEEWARD
COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOR A PHILIPPINE STUDIES PROGRAM AND
FACULTY POSITION.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. The Filipino community has grown significantly
2 since their 1906 arrival in Hawaii and they have made numerous
3 positive contributions in the state. The 2000 census indicates
4 that the Filipino community is one of the largest ethnic groups
5 in the state with thirty-seven per cent of the population
6 identifying themselves as full- or part-Filipino. While public
7 schools and community colleges also report high numbers of
8 Filipinos, the University of Hawaii at Manoa reports only nine
9 per cent of the student body as Filipino. The legislature finds
10 that a need exists to encourage Filipinos to transfer to four-
11 year universities.

12 A major issue is the availability and stability of a
13 Philippine studies and ethnic studies curriculum related to
14 Filipinos in Hawaii. University of Hawaii's Leeward community
15 college has a student demand as well as the expertise to offer a
16 Philippine studies certificate but does not have a full-time
17 permanent faculty position to provide for stability and



1 continuity. Leeward community college is in an excellent
 2 position to establish and implement a Philippine studies program
 3 and transfer programs for Filipino students to attend four-year
 4 programs, but is unable to do so without program funding.

5 The purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds to Leeward
 6 community college for a Philippine studies program and one
 7 faculty position.

8 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
 9 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$85,000 or so much
 10 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2006-2007 for one
 11 full-time equivalent faculty position and the establishment of a
 12 Leeward community college Philippine studies program to include
 13 international exchange agreements, community service learning
 14 programs, and transfer programs for Filipino students to attend
 15 four-year colleges.

16 The sum appropriated shall be expended by Leeward community
 17 college, University of Hawaii, for the purposes of this Act.

18 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2006.

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Report Title:

Leeward Community College, Philippine Studies Program

Description:

Appropriates funds to Leeward Community College for a Philippine Studies program and a faculty position.

