HOUSE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII TO ESTABLISH, DESIGN,
    SUPERVISE, AND CONDUCT ECONOMICS EDUCATION TRAINING FOR
    STATE OFFICERS.

1   WHEREAS, a solid background in economics is essential for
2 state officers such as the members of the Legislature, the
3 members of the Board of Education, the trustees of the Office of
4 Hawaiian Affairs, the Governor, the Lieutenant Governor, and all
5 executive branch department heads and deputies; and
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7   WHEREAS, sound decision making and policy making require a
8 grasp of basic economic concepts, the major economic systems,
9 the process and effects of government decision making, and
10 current economic problems; and
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12   WHEREAS, the lack of such knowledge will leave decision
13 makers and policy makers ill-equipped to comprehend or
14 appreciate the realities of resource allocation and income
15 distribution, or the impact of tax decisions on individual and
16 business choices; and
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18   WHEREAS, the University of Hawaii is the subject matter
19 agency ideally suited to providing basic training and education
20 in economics to state officers; now, therefore,
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22   BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
23 Twenty-third Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session
24 of 2006, that the University of Hawaii is respectfully requested
25 to establish, design, supervise, and conduct economics education
26 training for State officers; and
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28   BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the University of Hawaii is
29 requested to submit a report to the Legislature no later than
30 twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of
31 2007; in producing the report, the University of Hawaii is
32 requested to include a summary of the contents and activities of

1 the economics training course to be provided, the anticipated
2 schedule for the implementation of the economics training
3 courses, and other related issues; and
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5   BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
6 Resolution be transmitted to the President and the Chairperson
7 of the Board of Regents of the University of Hawaii.
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OFFERED BY: _Tyla B. Berg_____

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