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## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII'S HAWAII COMMUNITY COLLEGE.

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

1           SECTION 1. The legislature finds that investments in  
2 college and universities have a positive and long-lasting impact  
3 on the overall health of the state. The legislature further  
4 finds that the University of Hawaii (UH) system serves thousands  
5 of local residents through their community college programs,  
6 allowing graduates to remain in their communities as an active  
7 and contributing workforce. In order to meet the needs of a  
8 growing and diversified population, the community colleges have  
9 established sound academic programs and continue to advance  
10 technologically and professionally.

11           As the only community college serving the entire Big  
12 Island, Hawaii community college plays a crucial role in  
13 supporting local industries as well as assisting the county in  
14 attracting new ones. The college has successfully worked in  
15 partnership with government entities, private agencies, and non-  
16 profit organizations to assess the workforce training needs of  
17 businesses, and to deliver workforce training at all levels,  
18 from entry through skill-upgrade training, in support of local



1 industries.

2       Currently, the Hawaii community college facilities are  
3 jointly located on two sites in the Hilo area: Manono street and  
4 Kawili street. As part of its long-range development plan, a  
5 new Hawaii community college campus will be built on one hundred  
6 and twenty acres above Komohana street in Hilo. In the interim,  
7 Hawaii community college will implement a transition plan that  
8 will require continued use of the facilities at the University  
9 of Hawaii at Hilo and Manono street campuses. As part of this  
10 transition plan, it is vital that Hawaii community college  
11 immediately address the growing needs of the college to manage  
12 campus operations that are currently administered by UH-Hilo  
13 such as janitorial and maintenance functions, electricians, and  
14 campus security. Funds are needed to allow Hawaii community  
15 college to administer and manage the resources required to  
16 operate the facilities and services to better serve students,  
17 faculty, and staff.

18       Current staffing is available to provide basic and minimal  
19 services to students. Additional support is needed to deliver a  
20 comprehensive package of services that will facilitate the  
21 movement of students from entry level through completion.  
22 During the accreditation review process and the college's



1 strategic planning sessions, faculty and staff concluded that  
2 the college was lacking in transition services, recommending  
3 additional staffing to help students with job placement when  
4 they graduate and counseling support for students who plan to  
5 transfer to a baccalaureate degree program.

6 Hawaii community college must meet the requirements of the  
7 Americans with Disabilities Act as well as related state laws  
8 and university policies and procedures to ensure that students  
9 with disabilities receive fair and equal opportunities to  
10 succeed. The population of students with special needs  
11 continues to grow and the requirements placed on institutions  
12 that serve these students continue to expand. The resources  
13 requested will enable the college to fairly and equitably  
14 address the considerable needs of disabled students, and match  
15 the level of support provided by other UH community college  
16 institutions.

17 Like other colleges and universities, Hawaii community  
18 college is committed to providing the most up-to-date and  
19 technologically advanced education and requires adequate funding  
20 to replace and update equipment originally purchased in 1983.  
21 Funding is required to transition the applied sciences program  
22 to an articulated applied science program in response to



1 industry demands and provide for expansion of the program with  
2 transfer opportunities to institutions that grant baccalaureate  
3 of science degrees.

4 As the only community college serving the entire island of  
5 Hawaii, the college has the responsibility of providing  
6 education and training opportunities to all residents of the  
7 island. Big Island residents are located in pockets widely  
8 dispersed throughout the island, and Hawaii community college  
9 staff must often travel to these sites to provide instructional  
10 and related support services. Due to budget shortfalls,  
11 however, the college continues to use aging, unreliable  
12 vehicles, some over twenty years old. These vehicles, while  
13 still functioning, are becoming increasingly unsafe to operate,  
14 especially when traveling long distances.

15 The purpose of this Act is to provide funds for Hawaii  
16 community college's operational expenses as they grow and meet  
17 the challenges of tomorrow.

18 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general  
19 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$2,459,973 or so much  
20 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2006-2007 for the  
21 following expenses relating to the University of Hawaii's Hawaii  
22 community college:



1	A.	Funds for campus operations	
2		1. Eleven permanent janitor II positions	\$270,204
3		2. Four permanent groundskeeper I	
4		positions	\$98,256
5		3. Two permanent building maintenance	
6		worker I positions	\$65,616
7		4. One permanent auxiliary and facility	
8		services officer	\$47,880
9		5. One permanent clerk typist II	\$22,151
10		6. Postage	\$35,000
11		7. Telephone	\$30,000
12		8. Electricity	\$850,000
13		9. Water and gas	\$45,500
14		10. Sewer and refuse	\$45,000
15		11. Repair and maintenance	\$185,393
16		12. Security	\$105,000
17		13. Services	\$400,000
18		Total funding	\$2,200,000
19	B.	Creation of an enrollment management system	
20		1. One permanent faculty	\$43,884
21		2. One permanent counselor	\$43,884
22		Total funding	\$87,768



1	C.	Equipment replacement	
2		1. Educational equipment	\$31,313
3		Total funding	\$31,313
4	D.	Support for students with disabilities	
5		1. One permanent faculty	\$50,892
6		Total funding	\$50,892
7	E.	Replacement motor vehicles	
8		1. Two sedans	\$56,000
9		2. One van	\$34,000
10		Total funding	\$90,000

11 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the Hawaii  
 12 community college for the purposes of this Act.

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

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**Report Title:**

Appropriations for Hawaii Community College

**Description:**

Appropriates funds for Hawaii Community College.

