
SENATE RESOLUTION

EXPRESSING LEGISLATIVE SUPPORT FOR THE HAWAII ATHLETIC TRAINERS'
ASSOCIATION AND THE NATIONAL ATHLETIC TRAINERS'
ASSOCIATION.

1 WHEREAS, the National Athletic Trainers' Association and
2 the Hawaii Athletic Trainers' Association strive to keep up with
3 the latest treatment techniques, research and technological
4 advancements in athletic fitness, education, and training; and
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6 WHEREAS, according to the U.S. Department of Labor's
7 Occupational Outlook Handbook, 2002-2003 Edition, the demand for
8 health care services will create tremendous job opportunities
9 over the next eight years with nine of the top twenty job growth
10 categories in health care services; and
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12 WHEREAS, athletic trainers are represented in two of the
13 three major job growth categories: health care services and
14 education; and
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16 WHEREAS, certified athletic trainers have a long history of
17 providing quality health care for athletes and those engaged in
18 physical activity based upon specific tasks, knowledge, and
19 skills acquired through their nationally regulated educational
20 processes; and
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22 WHEREAS, certified athletic trainers provide for:

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24 (1) Prevention of injuries;
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26 (2) Recognition, evaluation, and aggressive treatment of
27 injuries;
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29 (3) Rehabilitation from injuries;
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31 (4) Health care administration; and
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33 (5) Education and guidance;
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2 WHEREAS, the National Athletic Trainers' Association
3 represents and supports 30,000 members of the athletic training
4 profession employed in professional sports, colleges and
5 universities, high schools, clinics and hospitals, and corporate
6 and industrial settings; and
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8 WHEREAS, the Hawaii Athletic Trainer's Association's
9 mission is to advance, encourage, and improve the athletic
10 training profession in all its phases, and to meet the specific
11 needs of National Athletic Trainers' Association members in
12 Hawaii; and
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14 WHEREAS, leading organizations concerned with athletic
15 training and health care have joined together in common desire
16 to raise public awareness of the importance of the athletic
17 training profession and to emphasize the importance of quality
18 health care within professional sports, colleges and
19 universities, high schools, clinics and hospitals, and corporate
20 and industrial settings; and
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22 WHEREAS, such efforts will improve health care for athletes
23 and those engaged in physical activity and promote certified
24 athletic trainers as allied health professionals; now,
25 therefore,
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27 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-third
28 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2006,
29 that the Legislature expresses its support for the Hawaii
30 Athletic Trainers' Association and the National Athletic
31 Trainers' Association; and
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33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
34 Resolution be transmitted to the President of the Hawaii
35 Athletic Trainers' Association and the Executive Director of the
36 National Athletic Trainers' Association.

