
HOUSE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII TO CONSIDER THE CONCERNS AND
ISSUES RAISED WITH REGARD TO THE AUTONOMY OF THE SCHOOL OF
TRAVEL INDUSTRY MANAGEMENT.

1 WHEREAS, because tourism is Hawaii's top industry, the
2 University of Hawaii (UH) School of Travel Industry Management
3 (TIM) is a very popular and important program that prepares
4 students for jobs up and coming in the industry; and
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6 WHEREAS, TIM has been autonomous since 1991, after gaining
7 separate accreditation and separating from the business college;
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10 WHEREAS, in 2009, the UH-Manoa Chancellor's Advisory
11 Committee, tasked with streamlining the university,
12 preliminarily recommended, among other things, reconsolidation
13 of TIM with the Shidler College of Business; and
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15 WHEREAS, this proposal has generated opposition among
16 alumni, as well as current students and faculty; and
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18 WHEREAS, as a result, legislation was introduced to
19 statutorily establish TIM independently and separate from any
20 school or college of business administration established at UH;
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23 WHEREAS, proponents and opponents raised strong points on
24 both sides of the issue, with regard to costs and concerns
25 regarding overall university autonomy, which was granted through
26 a constitutional amendment in 2000; and
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28 WHEREAS, because UH was granted autonomy, such issues
29 should be resolved at the university level first, whenever
30 possible, before legislative action is taken; now, therefore,



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1 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
2 Twenty-fifth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session
3 of 2010, that UH is requested to consider the concerns and
4 issues raised with regard to the autonomy of TIM; and
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6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that UH is requested to establish a
7 forum to receive public input and to resolve this issue at the
8 university level; and
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10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
11 Resolution be transmitted to the President of the University of
12 Hawaii System, Chancellor of the University of Hawaii at Manoa,
13 Chairperson of the University of Hawaii Board of Regents, and
14 Dean of the University of Hawaii School of Travel Industry
15 Management.
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