
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HIGHER EDUCATION.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 304A-504, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 "**§304A-504 Hawaii state scholars program.** (a) There is
4 established the Hawaii state scholars program to be administered
5 by the University of Hawaii. This program shall be used to
6 provide financial assistance in the form of scholarships for up
7 to four years to any qualified student enrolled at any campus of
8 the University of Hawaii with the possibility of renewal for a
9 fifth year in exceptional circumstances.

10 (b) Appropriations for the state scholars program shall be
11 deposited into the University of Hawaii scholarship and
12 assistance special fund established pursuant to section
13 304A-2159. The number of scholarships awarded and amount of
14 each scholarship shall be determined by the university subject
15 to the availability of funds.

16 The University of Hawaii shall offer scholarships to pay
17 for educational costs, such as tuition, fees, books, housing,



1 and other educational costs; provided that the scholarship
2 applicant:

3 (1) Is a bona fide resident of the State, for tuition
4 purposes, at the time of admission to the university;

5 (2) Presents evidence of academic excellence by meeting
6 one or more of the following:

7 (A) Graduation from a public or private high school
8 in the State as a valedictorian of the
9 applicant's class;

10 (B) Has a cumulative high school grade point average
11 of 4.0 as determined for admission to the
12 university; ~~[or]~~

13 (C) Has achieved a test score on a standardized
14 college admission test recognized and accepted by
15 the university for admission consideration, such
16 as SAT or ACT, that places the student among the
17 top ten percentile of students taking the test
18 nationwide; or

19 (D) Has received a commendation from the United
20 States Armed Forces for military service in the
21 United States Armed Forces, provided that the



1 applicant did not receive a dishonorable
2 discharge or a bad conduct discharge.

3 (3) Enrolls at a University of Hawaii system campus within
4 eighteen months of graduating from high school or
5 separation from the United States Armed Forces; and

6 (4) Maintains satisfactory progress toward degree
7 completion and a cumulative 3.0 grade point average."

8 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
9 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

10 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title:

Hawaii state scholars program; University of Hawaii

Description:

Makes residents who receive commendations for military service eligible for scholarship under the Hawaii state scholars program at the University of Hawaii.

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