
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE CENTER FOR OKINAWAN STUDIES.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the University of
2 Hawaii at Manoa Center for Okinawan Studies, as part of the
3 University's School of Pacific and Asian Studies, was
4 established in 2008. The collection of Okinawa-related
5 literature and resources at the University of Hawaii at Manoa is
6 the largest and most comprehensive outside of Japan.
7 Additionally, the University of Hawaii at Manoa is considered
8 one of the top institutions in the world for Okinawan studies,
9 partly because of its extensive collection of Okinawa-related
10 materials in the University of Hawaii at Manoa library.

11 The legislature further finds that a dedicated Okinawan
12 studies librarian at the University of Hawaii at Manoa library
13 would aid in the collection, development, and management of
14 current and future holdings in the Okinawa-related collection
15 and serve as a liaison for the Center for Okinawan Studies to
16 initiate national and international resource-sharing
17 collaborations. Additionally, the dedicated Okinawan studies
18 librarian would be responsible for website development,



1 fundraising, outreach to the local Okinawan community and the
2 community in general, and preservation and restoration of rare
3 Okinawa-related historic materials. The legislature finds that
4 a dedicated Okinawan studies librarian is necessary for the
5 continued maintenance and development of the collection of
6 Okinawa-related materials in the University of Hawaii at Manoa
7 library and the growth of Okinawan studies.

8 The purpose of this Act is, therefore, to provide funding
9 for a full-time Okinawan studies librarian position at the
10 University of Hawaii at Manoa.

11 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
12 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$60,000 or so much
13 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2013-2014 and the
14 same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year
15 2014-2015 to fund one full-time equivalent Okinawan studies
16 librarian position at the University of Hawaii at Manoa library.

17 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the University
18 of Hawaii for the purposes of this Act.

19 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2013.



Report Title:

University of Hawaii Center for Okinawan Studies; Appropriation

Description:

Appropriates funds for the hiring of a full-time equivalent librarian position for the Okinawan collection at the University of Hawaii at Manoa library. Effective July 1, 2013. (HB1025 HD1)

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