
HOUSE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING A FINANCIAL AND MANAGEMENT AUDIT OF THE
ADMINISTRATION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII.

1 WHEREAS, on November 19, 2012, the Senate Special Committee
2 on Accountability - 02 issued a report regarding the oversight,
3 accountability, and transparency of the operational and
4 financial management of the University of Hawaii System,
5 including but not limited to the University of Hawaii's Athletic
6 Department; and

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8 WHEREAS, the report heavily criticized the administration
9 of the University and its Board of Regents; and

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11 WHEREAS, the Special Committee's report revealed that the
12 potential problems within the University extended beyond the
13 initial deposit, such as:

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15 (1) A procedurally and fiscally questionable settlement
16 and reassignment of duty of the University's Athletic
17 Director to a new position with a \$211,000 annual
18 salary;

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20 (2) The payment of up to \$90,000 to a search firm to
21 conduct a search for a new Athletic Director;

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23 (3) The failure of the Board of Regents to comply with
24 open meetings law;

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26 (4) The redaction of public records in violation of open
27 records law; and

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29 (5) The hiring of outside counsel in possible violation of
30 procurement requirement law; and

31 WHEREAS, the Special Committee's report also noted that the
32 University's previous buyouts of contracts appeared to "reward
33 individuals for inadequate performance"; now, therefore,
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1 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
 2 Twenty-seventh Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular
 3 Session of 2013, that the Auditor is requested to perform a
 4 financial and management audit of the administration of the
 5 University of Hawaii and its Board of Regents; and
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7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that while the audit should focus on
 8 the specific concerns raised in the Special Committee's report,
 9 the Auditor is free to examine related issues that the Auditor
 10 determines are necessary to properly audit the administration of
 11 the University of Hawaii and its Board of Regents; and
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13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Auditor is requested to
 14 submit a report of any findings and recommendations to the
 15 Legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of
 16 the Regular Session of 2016; and
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18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
 19 Resolution be transmitted to the Auditor, the Chairperson of the
 20 Board of Regents of the University of Hawaii, and the President
 21 of the University of Hawaii.
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OFFERED BY:

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