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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII.

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

1           SECTION 1. Section 304A-502, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended to read as follows:

3           " ~~[+] §304A-502 [+] Power of regents to grant tuition~~  
4 **waivers.** (a) The board of regents, or its designated  
5 ~~[representatives]~~ representative, is authorized to grant,  
6 modify, or suspend tuition waivers.

7           (b) The board may:

8           (1) Waive entirely or reduce the tuition fee or any of the  
9 other fees for graduate teaching and research  
10 assistants;

11           (2) Enter into agreements with government and university  
12 officials of any other state or foreign country to  
13 provide for reciprocal waiver of the nonresident  
14 tuition and fee differential;

15           (3) Waive the nonresident tuition and fee differential for  
16 selected students from Pacific and Asian jurisdictions  
17 when their presence would be beneficial to the  
18 university or the State;



- 1 (4) Waive entirely or reduce the tuition fee or any of the  
2 other fees for students, resident or nonresident; and
- 3 (5) Waive the nonresident tuition and fee differential for  
4 members in good standing of the following military  
5 units, regardless of their actual state of residence:
- 6 (A) The Hawaii national guard; and
- 7 (B) The federal reserve components of the Army, Navy,  
8 Air Force, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard who  
9 attend drills with units located within the  
10 State.

11 (c) Beginning with the 2014-2015 academic year, the board  
12 shall waive the nonresident tuition and fee differential for  
13 honorably discharged veterans of the United States Air Force,  
14 Army, Coast Guard, Marine Corps, and Navy, regardless of their  
15 actual state of residence.

16 (d) The board shall determine the percentage of allowable  
17 tuition and fee waivers for financial need and other university  
18 priorities. These tuition waivers and waivers of the  
19 nonresident tuition and fee differential shall be awarded in  
20 accordance with guidelines established by the board."

21 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
22 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.



1           SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050;  
2 provided that this Act shall not take effect if the board of  
3 regents of the University of Hawaii adopts specific parameters  
4 and conditions for tuition and fee differential support for  
5 honorably discharged veterans by August 1, 2014.



**Report Title:**

University of Hawaii System; Veterans; Residency; Tuition;  
Waiver

**Description:**

Requires the Board of Regents of the University of Hawaii to waive the nonresident tuition and fee differential for veterans of the Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Marine Corps, and Navy, who were honorably discharged, beginning with the 2014-2015 academic year. Effective July 1, 2050, unless the Board of Regents adopts specific parameters and conditions for tuition and fee waivers for veterans by August 1, 2014. (SB2131 HD1)

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