
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 program, was
4 created in 2008. The collection of Okinawa-related literature
5 and resources at the University of Hawaii at Manoa is the
6 largest and most comprehensive outside of Japan. Additionally,
7 the University of Hawaii at Manoa is considered one of the top
8 institutions in the world for Okinawan studies, partly because
9 of its extensive collection of Okinawa-related materials in the
10 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 the collection, development, and management of the
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 librarian
18 would be responsible for website development, fundraising,



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

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

11 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
12 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ 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, 2050.



Report Title:

University of Hawaii Center for Okinawan Studies; Appropriation

Description:

Appropriates funds for the hiring of one full-time equivalent librarian position for the Okinawan collection at the University of Hawaii at Manoa library. Effective 07/01/2050. (SD1)

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