
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII ATHLETICS.

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

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 304A, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by adding a new subpart to part IV to be appropriately
3 designated and to read as follows:

4 " UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII AT MANOA ATHLETICS

5 §304A-A University of Hawaii at Manoa athletics; board of
6 **governors.** (a) There is established an athletics department at
7 the University of Hawaii at Manoa, which shall be governed by
8 the board of governors of the athletics department at the
9 University of Hawaii at Manoa. The powers and duties of the
10 board of governors shall include the following:

11 (1) The administration of the University of Hawaii at
12 Manoa intercollegiate athletics special fund
13 established under section 304A-2176;

14 (2) All powers and responsibilities necessary to maintain
15 and operate an athletics department at the University
16 of Hawaii at Manoa; and



1 (3) The appointment, retention, and termination of the
2 athletics director of the University of Hawaii at
3 Manoa.

4 The board of governors shall report to the University of Hawaii
5 board of regents.

6 (b) The board of governors shall consist of seven members
7 who shall be appointed as follows:

8 (1) Three members who shall be members of the University
9 of Hawaii board of regents to be appointed by the
10 chair of the University of Hawaii board of regents;

11 (2) One member with financial management experience to be
12 appointed by the governor pursuant to section 26-34;
13 provided that the term of the member appointed
14 pursuant to this paragraph shall be five years;

15 (3) One member who shall be a coach in the athletics
16 department at the University of Hawaii at Manoa;

17 (4) One member to be appointed by the speaker of the house
18 of representatives; and

19 (5) One member to be appointed by the president of the
20 senate;



1 provided that all members of the board of governors shall be
2 approved by the University of Hawaii board of regents.

3 (c) The board of governors shall select a chair from among
4 its members; provided that the chair shall not be a member
5 appointed by either the speaker of the house of representatives
6 or the president of the senate. Except for the member appointed
7 pursuant to subsection (b)(2), the terms of the members shall be
8 for four years and shall be subject to the term limitation
9 requirements of section 26-34.

10 (d) The members of the board of governors shall serve
11 without compensation, but shall be reimbursed for expenses,
12 including travel expenses, necessary for the performance of
13 their duties.

14 (e) The athletics department of the University of Hawaii
15 at Manoa, through its board of governors, shall submit an annual
16 financial and management report to the University of Hawaii
17 board of regents, the governor, and the legislature not less
18 than twenty days prior to the convening of each regular session
19 of the legislature."

20 SECTION 2. Section 304A-2176, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
21 amended to read as follows:



1 " [{}§304A-2176 [{}] University of Hawaii at Manoa
2 intercollegiate athletics special fund and University of Hawaii
3 at Hilo intercollegiate athletics special fund. (a)
4 Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, there are
5 established the University of Hawaii at Manoa intercollegiate
6 athletics special fund and the University of Hawaii at Hilo
7 intercollegiate athletics special fund for the intercollegiate
8 athletic programs of the University of Hawaii at Manoa and the
9 University of Hawaii at Hilo, which shall be used to receive,
10 deposit, disburse, and account for funds from the activities of
11 the intercollegiate athletic programs. The board of governors
12 of the athletics department at the University of Hawaii at Manoa
13 shall administer the University of Hawaii at Manoa
14 intercollegiate athletics special fund. The university shall
15 administer the University of Hawaii at Hilo intercollegiate
16 athletics special fund.
17 (b) The board of governors and the university, as
18 applicable, may establish appropriate charges for activities
19 related to its athletic programs and the use of its athletic
20 facilities, the proceeds from which shall be deposited into
21 these special funds.



1 The board of governors and the university, as the case may
 2 be, shall maintain the financial integrity and viability of
 3 these special funds, including the maintenance of an adequate
 4 reserve to cope with the various factors that impact the revenue
 5 structure of an intercollegiate athletic program."

6 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
 7 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

8 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2015.

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Report Title:

UH Athletics; Special Fund

Description:

Establishes the University of Hawaii at Manoa athletics department as an entity governed by a board of governors. Transfers administration of the University of Hawaii at Manoa intercollegiate athletics special fund from the university to the board of governors. Authorizes the board of governors to select an athletic director.

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