

1 §304A-A Use of facilities. (a) The board shall develop
2 and make publicly available procedures for the full utilization
3 of existing university facilities, including plans for the use
4 of distance and online education.

5 (b) The administration of each university or community
6 college governed by the board shall include on its website data
7 on the utilization of classroom and laboratory facilities. The
8 data shall be updated annually and include the following:

- 9 (1) Total number of classrooms and laboratories available
10 for instructional use that are not under renovation;
- 11 (2) Total number of classrooms and laboratories available
12 for instructional use that are under renovation;
- 13 (3) Total available square footage of instructional space
14 that is not under renovation;
- 15 (4) Total available square footage of instructional space
16 that is under renovation;
- 17 (5) Average hours per week of instructional usage of
18 classrooms and laboratories, reported by day of the
19 week and time of day;
- 20 (6) Average percentage of seats and stations filled in all
21 courses taught in campus classrooms and laboratories



1 that are available for instruction, reported by day of
2 the week and time of day;

3 (7) Number of courses the institution offers online; and

4 (8) Plans for development of future online courses.

5 (c) By June 30 of each year following the effective date
6 of this Act, the administration of each university or community
7 college campus governed by the board shall submit to the
8 governor, lieutenant governor, the senate president, the speaker
9 of the house of representatives, and the chairs of each
10 legislative standing committee with jurisdiction over higher
11 education a written report summarizing the data required in
12 subsection (b).

13 **§304A-B Approval of new building construction.** (a) The
14 board shall not approve the construction of a proposed
15 university building until a public hearing has been held to
16 examine the:

17 (1) Utilization of existing facilities, as reported under
18 section 304-A, for the three year period immediately
19 preceding the date of the meeting;

20 (2) Projected maintenance costs for the proposed building
21 over its projected lifetime; and



1 (3) Funding sources for the proposed building,
2 provided that this section shall not apply to the construction
3 of a proposed university building projected to cost less than
4 \$10,000,000."

5 SECTION 3. Section 304A-2672, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
6 amended to read as follows:

7 "**§304A-2672 Powers of the board.** Notwithstanding any law
8 to the contrary, the board may:

9 (1) Designate as a university project, any undertaking,
10 improvement, or facility on any one or more of the
11 areas in one or more of the educational institutions
12 under the jurisdiction of the board;

13 (2) Construct and maintain university projects, including
14 a university project included or to be in a university
15 system; provided that all procurements for
16 professional services furnished by licensees under
17 chapter 464 for construction projects shall be
18 coordinated with the department of accounting and
19 general services on behalf of the board; provided
20 further that the department of accounting and general
21 services shall not be responsible for procurements



1 determined by both the University of Hawaii and the
2 department of accounting and general services to be
3 professional services furnished by licensees under
4 chapter 464 for repair and maintenance; provided
5 further that the board shall not approve the
6 construction of a proposed university building until
7 the meeting requirements of section 304A-B have been
8 met;

9 (3) Combine two or more university projects into a
10 university system on one or more of the areas on any
11 one or more of the educational institutions under the
12 jurisdiction of the board, and to maintain the system;

13 (4) Combine two or more university projects, university
14 systems, or university projects and university systems
15 into a network, on any one or more of the areas on any
16 one or more of the educational institutions under the
17 jurisdiction of the board, and to maintain the
18 network;

19 (5) Prescribe and collect rents, fees, and charges for the
20 use of or services furnished by any university project
21 and the facilities thereof, and pledge any



- 1 appropriation to any university project and the
2 facilities thereof that in aggregate, produces revenue
3 of the university at least sufficient to comply with
4 section 304A-2681;
- 5 (6) With the approval of the governor, issue revenue bonds
6 under this subpart in such principal amount as may be
7 authorized by the legislature from time to time to
8 finance in whole or in part the cost of construction
9 or the cost of maintenance of any university project,
10 including funding reserves therefor;
- 11 (7) Pledge to the punctual payment of revenue bonds and
12 interest thereon, all or any part of the revenue of
13 the university, including any appropriation, in an
14 amount sufficient to pay the revenue bonds and
15 interest as the same become due and to create and
16 maintain reasonable reserves therefor;
- 17 (8) Establish a loan program or a commercial paper program
18 upon terms and conditions that the board may
19 determine; and
- 20 (9) Advance moneys of the university, not otherwise
21 required, and do any and all other lawful acts as may



1 be necessary, convenient, or desirable, for carrying
2 into execution and administering this subpart."

3 SECTION 4. Section 304A-2673, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
4 amended to read as follows:

5 "[\+]§304A-2673[\+] Designation and authorization of
6 university projects, university systems, networks; authorization
7 of revenue bonds. The designation and authorization of
8 construction and maintenance of a university project, university
9 system, or network, and the authorization for issuance of
10 revenue bonds under this subpart shall be by resolution of the
11 board by a majority of all the members of the board then in
12 office[-]; provided that the board shall not pass a resolution
13 authorizing the construction of a new university building unless
14 the requirements of section 304A-B are met. Any resolution may
15 be adopted at the same meeting at which it is introduced and
16 shall take effect immediately upon adoption."

17 SECTION 5. In codifying the new sections added by section
18 2 of this Act, the revisor of statutes shall substitute
19 appropriate section numbers for the letters used in designating
20 the new sections in this Act.



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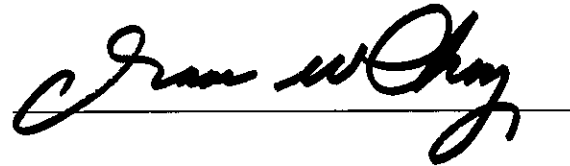
1 SECTION 6. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
2 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
3 begun before its effective date.

4 SECTION 7. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
5 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

6 SECTION 8. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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INTRODUCED BY:

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H.B. NO. 1609

Report Title:

University of Hawaii; Facility Utilization; Construction

Description:

Requires the board of regents of the University of Hawaii to develop procedures for the full utilization of university facilities. Requires the administration of the different UH campuses to collect and report data relating to facilities utilization. Prohibits the UH board of regents from approving the construction of a new university building until a public hearing is held to discuss facility utilization and cost.

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UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII SYSTEM

Legislative Testimony

Testimony Presented Before the
House Committee on Higher Education
February 2, 2016 at 2:01pm

by
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HB1609 – RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII

Chair Choy, Vice Chair Ichiyama and Members of the Committee:

The University of Hawai'i appreciates the intent of HB1609, which requires the Board of Regents of the University of Hawai'i to promote the utilization of existing University of Hawai'i system buildings through responsible space management efforts. As further set forth below, however, the University of Hawai'i currently engages in active space management and utilization efforts as part of its overall operation and administration functions. Additionally, the Board of Regents has had a standing moratorium against new buildings since 2013 to ensure maximum use of existing facilities. As such, we believe the objectives of this bill can be satisfied without legislative mandate.

Campus facilities are managed through a range of procedures governing the use and management of instructional space. Class scheduling, in particular, takes into consideration multiple factors such as: expected class sizes, room attributes, classroom furniture (conference tables, tablet-arm chairs, theater seating, innovative furniture), room layouts, instructional equipment requirements (computers, DVD players, iClickers, interactive displays), and classroom locations. Additionally, many classes are offered at non-standard times, making it even more complex to juggle room assignments. To complicate matters, class size is dictated by accreditation requirements, teaching methodology, and course curriculum, which often limits the selection of available classrooms.

Like all other colleges and universities across the nation, the scheduling of classes is a highly complex and voluminous process that, within the University of Hawai'i system, involves two major computer systems and manual manipulation. To that end, each campus within the University system manages their own space to ensure facilities are available to support the complicated class schedule that is developed based on multiple requirements. However, the specific data requested in the immediate measure will impose additional requirements and, therefore, additional effort. If willing, however, we look forward to working with this committee to determine if existing data and reports are satisfactory.

Additionally, this measure is primarily driven by the concern over the cost of constructing and maintaining new buildings instead of utilizing existing facilities. The Board of Regents shares this concerns. To that end, in 2013, the Board of Regents adopted a moratorium on new buildings except for those that were previously approved or is necessary to prevent a

program that is in imminent jeopardy of losing accreditation. To date, the Board has not deviated from this moratorium against new buildings.

Finally, the University agrees that new buildings are not the solution to its deferred maintenance problem. Instead, our strategy is to (1) invest in existing facilities by modernizing infrastructure and building layout to support a 21st century learning environment through the use of modern technology and lean space utilization metrics, and (2) demolish non-functional facilities that can be better absorbed into these upgraded facilities. This transforms the current landscape of the campus while staying within its existing footprint (or less).

In closing, the University appreciates the intent of HB1609 because it advances the same principles adopted by the Board of Regents and is consistent with efforts already underway. Therefore, we believe the objectives of this measure can be attained without legislative mandate.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.

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