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The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi, President and Members of the Senate Twenty-Ninth State Legislature Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

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The Honorable Joseph Souki, Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives Twenty-Ninth State Legislature Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear President Kouchi, Speaker Souki, and Members of the Legislature:

For your information and consideration, the University of Hawai'i is transmitting one copy of the Annual Report on Nursing Scholars Program (Section 304A-3305, Hawai'i Revised Statutes) as requested by the Legislature.

In accordance with Section 93-16, Hawai'i Revised Statutes, this report may be viewed electronically at: <u>http://www.hawaii.edu/offices/government-relations/2017-legislative-reports/</u>.

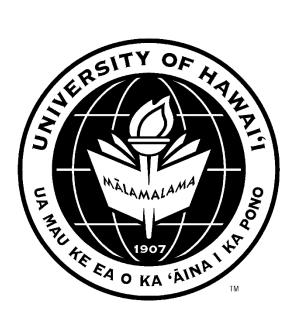
Should you have any questions about this report, please do not hesitate to contact Stephanie Kim at 956-4250, or via e-mail at <u>scskim@hawaii.edu</u>.

Sincerely,

David Lassner President

Enclosure

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The Nursing Scholars Program was established to encourage students to pursue graduate study in master's and doctoral programs which will prepare them for an academic career in nursing. The student is expected to "commence nursing instruction in the State within one year after completion of an approved graduate degree in nursing for a period of one year for each academic year the student received a master's or doctoral degree, for a period of one year for each academic year the student receives a scholarship grant ..." and "...reimburse the State for all amounts received under this chapter and interest thereon, as determined by the department, if the student fails to comply with this subsection." This program was essentially a loan program which requires payback should the student fail to comply with the agreement as mentioned above.

Since being enacted in 2005, the Nursing Scholars Program only received one year of funding in 2006. The School of Nursing and Dental Hygiene has no additional information to report since the 2009 report.