
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

URGING THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII AT MANOA
TO ADOPT AN EQUITABLE AND FORMULA-BASED BUDGETING MODEL
THAT MORE ACCURATELY REFLECTS THE NUMBER OF STUDENT
SEMESTER HOURS TAUGHT AND MORE SATISFACTORILY MEETS THE
NEEDS OF FACULTY.

1 WHEREAS, the Colleges of Arts and Sciences of the
2 University of Hawaii at Manoa teach 55 percent of total student
3 semester hours at the University of Hawaii at Manoa, enroll 42
4 percent of students at the University of Hawaii at Manoa, and
5 employ 48 percent of faculty at the University of Hawaii at
6 Manoa; and
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8 WHEREAS, however, the Colleges of Arts and Sciences receive
9 only 18 percent of the combined tuition and general funds
10 allocated to the University of Hawaii at Manoa; and
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12 WHEREAS, fiscal cuts over multiple years have led to a
13 substantial number of faculty positions at the University of
14 Hawaii at Manoa remaining unfilled, thereby seriously eroding
15 the ability of instructional units to recruit, hire, and retain
16 faculty of the highest caliber, maintain research and
17 publication standards, and replace worn-out equipment; and
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19 WHEREAS, these fiscal cuts have led to a long-term decline
20 in faculty morale at the Colleges of Arts and Sciences, which
21 threatens to undermine the core mission of the University of
22 Hawaii itself; now, therefore,
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24 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
25 Twenty-ninth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session
26 of 2017, the Senate concurring, that the administration of the
27 University of Hawaii at Manoa is urged to adopt an equitable and
28 formula-based budgeting model that more accurately reflects the



1 number of student semester hours taught and more satisfactorily
2 meets the needs of faculty; and
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4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this budgeting model be rooted
5 in the presumption that the amount of funding allocated to a
6 given college or school at the University of Hawaii at Manoa
7 should be based on the number of students served by that
8 particular college or school, as reflected by factors such as
9 the number of student semester hours taught, the number of
10 students enrolled, and the number of faculty employed to teach
11 students; and
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13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
14 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Chairperson of the
15 Board of Regents of the University of Hawaii, President of the
16 University of Hawaii, and Interim Chancellor of the University
17 of Hawaii at Manoa.
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