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SENATE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII AT MANOA TO ADOPT A BUDGET MODEL THAT ALLOCATES RESOURCES ACCORDING TO A TRANSPARENT AND EQUITABLE FORMULA.

1 WHEREAS, the Colleges of Arts and Sciences at the
2 University of Hawaii at Manoa comprise fifty-five percent of the
3 total student semester hours, forty-two percent of the
4 University of Hawaii at Manoa student body, and forty-eight
5 percent of the University of Hawaii faculty, but only receive
6 eighteen percent of the combined tuition and general funds
7 allocated to the University; and
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9 WHEREAS, fiscal cuts over multiple years have resulted in a
10 substantial number of tenure-track faculty positions in the
11 Colleges of Arts and Sciences remaining unfilled, with a loss of
12 nearly fifty percent of tenure-track faculty in some departments
13 over the past fifteen years; and
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15 WHEREAS, disparities in the allocation of funds between the
16 Colleges of Arts and Sciences and other colleges of the
17 University have seriously eroded the ability of instructional
18 units to recruit, hire, and retain highly qualified faculty;
19 offer students sufficient numbers of courses taught by qualified
20 faculty; maintain rigorous research and publication standards;
21 and replace worn-out equipment; and
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23 WHEREAS, disparities in allocation of funds have led to a
24 long-term decline in faculty morale at the Colleges of Arts and
25 Sciences, which threatens to undermine the core mission of the
26 University of Hawaii itself; now, therefore,
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28 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-ninth
29 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2017,
30 that the University of Hawaii at Manoa is requested to adopt a
31 budget model that allocates resources according to a transparent
32 and equitable formula which aligns revenue sources with intended
33 use, through which instructional units receive priority access
34 to revenues generated from student tuition; and
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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the University of Hawaii at
 2 Manoa is requested to submit a report of the allocation of
 3 resources within the University, including the progress made in
 4 implementing a transparent and equitable formula, to the
 5 Legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of
 6 the regular sessions of 2018, 2019, and 2020; and
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8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
 9 Resolution be transmitted to the Chairperson of the Board of
 10 Regents of the University of Hawaii, President of the University
 11 of Hawaii, Chief Financial Officer of the University of Hawaii,
 12 and Interim Chancellor of the University of Hawaii at Manoa.
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