A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII.

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

1	SECTION 1. The legislature finds that it is a matter of
2	statewide concern to support the contributions of the University
3	of Hawaii to the economic health and diversification of the
4	State. The legislature further finds that the timely and
5	efficient commercialization of intellectual property created by
6	basic and applied research at the university will greatly
7	benefit the public and the State.
8	The purpose of this Act is to establish and implement a
9	center for commercialization at the University of Hawaii.
10	SECTION 2. Chapter 304A, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
11	amended by adding a new subpart to part IV to be appropriately
12	designated and to read as follows:
13	" . CENTER FOR COMMERCIALIZATION
14	§304A- Center for commercialization; establishment. (a)
15	There is established, within the office of the vice president
16	for research and innovation, the center for commercialization.

The center shall be dedicated to fostering an environment

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- 1 conducive to commercializing the intellectual property created
- 2 by basic and applied research at the University of Hawaii for
- 3 the benefit of the public and the State.
- 4 (b) There shall be a director, appointed by the vice
- 5 president for research and innovation, who shall direct the
- 6 activities of the center for commercialization."
- 7 SECTION 3. The director of the center for
- 8 commercialization shall submit annual reports of findings and
- 9 recommendations, including any proposed legislation, regarding
- 10 the activities of and plans for the center for commercialization
- 11 to the legislature no less than twenty days prior to the
- 12 convening of each regular session, commencing with the regular
- 13 session of 2018 and ending with the regular session of 2021.
- 14 The report, among other things, shall identify and discuss:
- 15 (1) Currently existing resources and facilities at the
- 16 University of Hawaii or any other state department,
- including any applicable regulatory framework or
- 18 programs, that may be used, consolidated, or
- incorporated into the center for commercialization;
- 20 (2) Policies, goals, mission statements, and guidelines
- 21 for the center for commercialization;

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1	(3)	The organizational structure of the center for
2		commercialization;
3	(4)	Best practices, including organizational structure,
4		employment conditions, public-private partnerships,
5		and research parameters, currently in place at
6		universities with a center for commercialization or a
7		similar or comparable program;
8	(5)	Site selection parameters and site acquisition and
9		development costs for the center for
10		commercialization;
11	(6)	Estimated construction and operational costs of the
12		center for commercialization;
13	(7)	Funding and financing sources, other than legislative
14		appropriations, including federal, private, and
15		<pre>public-private sources;</pre>
16	(8)	Projected economic, social, and health benefits to the
17		residents of the State that can be directly attributed
18		to the center for commercialization;
19	(9)	Any current legal impediments, including statutes or
20		rules regarding technology transfers relating to the

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1	research by university employees and the
2	organizational structure of the university; and
3	(10) Any other information relevant to the center for
4	commercialization.
5	SECTION 4. There is appropriated out of the general
6	revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much
7	thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2017-2018 and the
8	same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year
9	2018-2019 to establish and implement a center for
10	commercialization at the University of Hawaii.
11	The sums appropriated shall be expended by the University
12	of Hawaii for the purposes of this Act.
13	SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.

Report Title:

University of Hawaii; Research; Center for Commercialization; Appropriation

Description:

Establishes a Center for Commercialization at the University of Hawaii to commercially use intellectual property generated from research at the University for the benefit of the State and its residents. Appropriates funds. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD1)

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