
HOUSE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII BOARD OF REGENTS TO CONTINUE TO SUPPORT AND FUND THE INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS CENTER AS A VALUABLE LABOR-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS RESOURCE FOR THE PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SECTORS.

1 WHEREAS, the Industrial Relations Center was created by the
2 University of Hawaii Board of Regents in 1948 to promote the
3 understanding of labor-management interactions, challenges,
4 collective bargaining and mediation techniques, and public and
5 private sector policies; and
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7 WHEREAS, the Industrial Relations Center aims to develop
8 curriculum emphasizing training for industrial relations
9 positions; provide library reference services; present lectures,
10 conferences, and discussion groups; conduct research studies in
11 basic industrial relations problems; and serve the public in
12 providing sources of information in the field of industrial
13 relations; and
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15 WHEREAS, the Industrial Relations Center has established a
16 reputation as an impartial and trusted resource agency for
17 labor-management relations in the public and private sectors and
18 is an active member of the Labor and Employment Relations
19 Association, the leading national organization; and
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21 WHEREAS, the Industrial Relations Center has significantly
22 contributed to the public and private sectors by successfully
23 training more than one thousand eight hundred professionals
24 through a series of workshops focused on collective bargaining
25 and grievance arbitration; and
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27 WHEREAS, more than one hundred fifty statutory guides and
28 bulletins devoted to public sector bargaining laws across all
29 fifty states have been published by the Industrial Relations
30 Center, including the notable reference standard *Roberts'*
31 *Dictionary of Industrial Relations* by the Industrial Relations
32 Center's founding Director, Harold S. Roberts; and
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1 WHEREAS, the Industrial Relations Center library contains
2 the most complete collection of arbitration decisions issued
3 covering Hawaii's private and public sector employees as well as
4 decisions in other United States jurisdictions; and
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6 WHEREAS, over the years, the Legislature has requested
7 various studies to be done relating to labor-management,
8 collective bargaining, and arbitration and mediation issues and
9 policies, and the Industrial Relations Center has well
10 demonstrated its expertise and role as a neutral and responsible
11 resource to the community in the study of complex public issues;
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14 WHEREAS, the need has increased for the Industrial
15 Relations Center's expertise and resources, especially during
16 these times of accelerated change in the public and private
17 sectors; and
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19 WHEREAS, the Industrial Relations Center promotes the
20 University of Hawaii at Manoa's vision to strive for excellence
21 in teaching, research, and public service, which is advanced
22 through the Industrial Relations Center's training of public and
23 private sector employees, contributions to the field of
24 industrial relations research, and serving as a world class
25 resource of information to Hawaii's community; now, therefore,
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27 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
28 Thirtieth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of
29 2019, that the University of Hawaii Board of Regents is
30 requested to continue to support and fund the Industrial
31 Relations Center as a valuable labor-management relations
32 resource for the public and private sectors; and
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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
2 Resolution be transmitted to the Chair of the University of
3 Hawaii Board of Regents, President of the University of Hawaii
4 and Interim Chancellor of the University of Hawaii at Manoa,
5 Director of the Industrial Relations Center, University of
6 Hawaii University Librarian, and Director of the Center for
7 Labor Education and Research at the University of Hawaii West
8 Oahu.

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