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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION.

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

1           SECTION 1. The legislature finds that Launch My Career is  
2 an interactive web tool that was developed by College Measures,  
3 the United States Chamber of Commerce Foundation, and Gallup,  
4 Inc., and financed with grants from USA Funds, a nonprofit  
5 corporation. This web tool is currently available in Colorado,  
6 Tennessee, and Texas. The Launch My Career web tool helps  
7 students better understand career and salary opportunities that  
8 result from their educational decisions by providing them  
9 information about the return on investment in a certificate or  
10 degree from public post-secondary schools, including technical  
11 schools and community colleges.

12           The inspiration for the Launch My Career web tool evolved  
13 from the finding that nearly half of recent college graduates  
14 were unemployed or underemployed and at least one-third of all  
15 college graduates reported that they would choose a different  
16 major if they could redo their college years. The web tool  
17 works by asking students to select what major, university, job,



1 or industry they are interested in. They can use the lifestyle  
2 calculator to get a glimpse of the impact that their decisions  
3 in school will have on the kind of lifestyle they want to live  
4 after they graduate from college. The website uses a data  
5 system from each state that uses the Launch My Career web tool.  
6 The data systems combine a particular state's employment and  
7 wage data with the educational outcomes data from colleges  
8 within that state. This data does not reveal any personal  
9 information and can be updated annually.

10 The legislature further finds that implementing a web tool  
11 that is similar to the Launch My Career web tool for high school  
12 students in Hawaii who are preparing for college will assist in  
13 decreasing post-secondary education dropout rates, ensuring  
14 timely graduation, and decreasing student loan debts.

15 The purpose of this Act is to require the University of  
16 Hawaii to collaborate with the department of education and  
17 department of business, economic development, and tourism to  
18 develop and implement an interactive web tool, similar to the  
19 Launch My Career web tool, that will enable degree-seeking  
20 individuals to make more informed decisions regarding their  
21 post-secondary education and career choices.



1           SECTION 2. (a) The University of Hawaii shall collaborate  
2 with the department of education and department of business,  
3 economic development, and tourism to develop and implement an  
4 interactive web tool that will enable degree-seeking individuals  
5 to make better-informed decisions regarding their post-secondary  
6 education and career choices.

7           (b) The interactive web tool shall provide:

8           (1) Access to data that:

9                   (A) Identifies in-demand jobs across the State and in  
10                   particular regions as well as the degree or  
11                   certificate programs that will prepare students  
12                   for those jobs;

13                   (B) Compares projected future earnings to the  
14                   investment required to graduate from a particular  
15                   school and program;

16                   (C) Analyzes the earnings potential of many career  
17                   options; and

18                   (D) Helps students understand the personal and  
19                   professional satisfaction that accompanies  
20                   different careers and courses of study;



1           (2) A lifestyle goal calculator that shows the number of  
2           years it will take for the salary from a particular  
3           occupation to meet a user's lifestyle goals; and

4           (3) A breakeven calculator that shows the number of years  
5           it will take after completing a particular degree  
6           program for earnings to exceed the total net price of  
7           the program.

8           (c) In developing and implementing the interactive web  
9           tool, the University of Hawaii may explore similar interactive  
10          web tools in other jurisdictions and consult with these  
11          jurisdictions or web tool developers.

12          (d) The University of Hawaii shall submit an annual report  
13          to the legislature regarding the development, implementation,  
14          use, and effectiveness of the interactive web tool, including  
15          any proposed legislation, no later than twenty days prior to the  
16          convening of each regular session.

17          SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general  
18          revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$                    or so  
19          much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2019-2020 and  
20          the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal  
21          year 2020-2021 for the University of Hawaii, in collaboration



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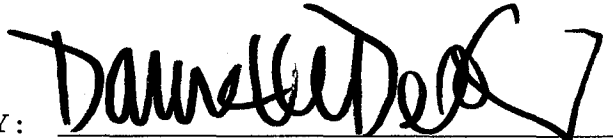
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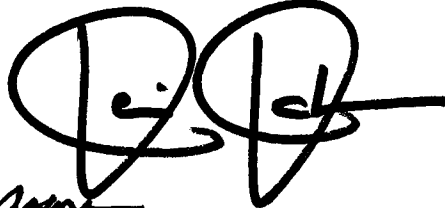
6 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the University  
 7 of Hawaii for the purposes of this Act.

8 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2019.

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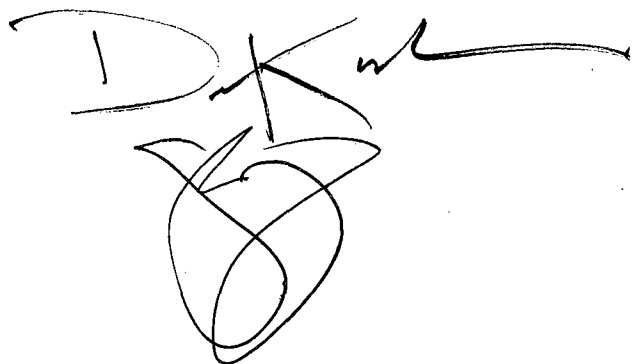


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**Report Title:**

Post-Secondary Education; Interactive Web Tool; UH; DOE; DBEDT; Appropriation

**Description:**

Requires the University of Hawaii to collaborate with the Department of Education and the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism to develop and implement an interactive web tool that will enable degree-seeking individuals to make better-informed decisions regarding their post-secondary education and career choices. Appropriates funds to develop web tool.

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