

JAN 21 2022

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO COMMUNITY COLLEGES.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 304A, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by adding a new section to part IV, subpart A, subdivision 1 to be appropriately designated and to read as follows:

"§304A- Community college tuition waiver. (a) The board of regents shall waive the tuition of any person who is admitted to and enrolled full-time at a community college campus of the University of Hawaii; provided that the person:

(1) Is a United States citizen or eligible non-citizen;

(2) Has been a resident of the State for at least twelve months prior to applying for the waiver;

(3) Qualifies for resident tuition;

(4) Maintains satisfactory academic progress, as determined by the community college at which the person is enrolled;



(5) Maintains continuous full-time enrollment at a community college, except for medical or personal absences approved by the community college; and

(6) Is physically present in the State.

(b) As used in this section, an "eligible non-citizen" means an individual who is:

(1) A United States permanent resident who holds a permanent resident card;

(2) A conditional permanent resident of the United States; or

(3) The holder of an arrival-departure record (United States Customs and Border Protection Form I-94) from the Department of Homeland Security showing any one of the following designations:

(A) Refugee;

(B) Asylum granted;

(C) Parolee; or

(D) Cuban-Haitian Entrant."

SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2022-2023 to



1 establish and implement tuition waivers at community college
2 campuses of the University of Hawaii.

3 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the University of
4 Hawaii for the purposes of this Act.

5 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.

6 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2022.

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INTRODUCED BY: *BS*



S.B. NO. 2586

Report Title:

Community Colleges; Tuition Waiver; University of Hawaii

Description:

Grants tuition waivers to University of Hawaii community college students who meet certain criteria.

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