
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PHARMACY.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds there is a need to
2 support the Daniel K. Inouye college of pharmacy to ensure the
3 quality of health care and improve access to care for the people
4 of the State. With further resources, the college can
5 proactively address issues of the State's current health care
6 crisis and leverage pharmacists to fill gaps in care related to
7 medication management. Pharmacists are the most accessible
8 health care providers and strongly embedded as a trusted
9 resource in many remote communities. The college could leverage
10 pharmacists across the health care spectrum to recruit and
11 retain strong pharmacists to practice in the State, create a
12 plan for an innovative pharmacy practice model, and serve as the
13 resource for the pharmacy profession as the medical system
14 shifts to a value and team-based care model where pharmacy will
15 play in integral role in patient outcomes.

16 The purpose of this Act is to establish a pharmacist
17 workforce assessment fee to fund activities of the Daniel K.



1 Inouye college of pharmacy to support pharmacist workforce
2 assessment and planning efforts.

3 SECTION 2. Chapter 304A, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
4 amended by adding a new section to part V, subpart C, to be
5 appropriately designated and to read as follows:

6 "§304A- Daniel K. Inouye college of pharmacy special
7 fund. (a) There is established the Daniel K. Inouye college of
8 pharmacy special fund, to be administered and expended by the
9 university of Hawaii.

10 (b) The following shall be deposited into the special
11 fund:

12 (1) Appropriations by the legislature;

13 (2) Pharmacist workforce assessment fees established
14 pursuant to section 461- ;

15 (3) Grants, donations, gifts, or other income received for
16 the purposes of the special fund; and

17 (4) Interest earned or accrued on moneys in the special
18 fund.

19 (c) Moneys in the special fund shall be used to support
20 the Daniel K. Inouye college of pharmacy's activities related to
21 pharmacist workforce assessment and planning within the State;



1 provided that the pharmacist workforce assessment fees
2 transferred and deposited into the special fund pursuant to
3 section 461- shall be used to support pharmacist workforce
4 assessment and planning efforts, including the recruitment and
5 retention of pharmacists, for rural and medically underserved
6 areas of the State. This shall include but not be limited to:

7 (1) Maintaining accurate pharmacist workforce assessment
8 information and providing or updating personal and
9 professional information, that shall be maintained in
10 a secure database;

11 (2) Providing loan repayment to pharmacists who commit to
12 working in medically underserved areas of the State as
13 part of the Hawaii state loan repayment program
14 administered by the Daniel K. Inouye college of
15 pharmacy; and

16 (3) Providing scholarships to qualifying pharmacy students
17 to be determined by the Daniel K. Inouye college of
18 pharmacy.

19 (d) The Daniel K. Inouye college of pharmacy may disclose
20 information specific to any pharmacist only with the express
21 written consent of that pharmacist."



1 SECTION 3. Chapter 461, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
3 and to read as follows:

4 "§461- Workforce assessment fee. (a) There shall be
5 assessed upon every license and permit issued by the board a
6 pharmacist workforce assessment fee, as determined under
7 subsection (b), that shall be transferred and deposited into the
8 Daniel K. Inouye college of pharmacy special fund established
9 under section 304A- .

10 (b) The pharmacist workforce assessment fee shall be as
11 follows:

12 (1) \$, for each renewed license as a pharmacist;

13 (2) \$, for each new or renewed wholesale
14 prescription drug distributor license;

15 (3) \$, for each new or renewed pharmacy permit
16 under section 461-14; and

17 (4) \$, for each new or renewed permit under
18 section 461-15."

19 SECTION 4. Section 461-8, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
20 amended by amending subsections (a) and (b) to read as follows:



1 "(a) All licenses issued by the board, except temporary
2 licenses issued under section 461-7, shall be renewed biennially
3 on or before December 31 of each odd-numbered year. Failure to
4 pay the biennial fee and [~~beginning with the renewal for the~~
5 ~~licensing biennium commencing on January 1, 2008,~~] workforce
6 assessment fee and to satisfy the continuing education
7 requirement on or before December 31 of each odd-numbered year,
8 shall constitute a forfeiture of the license as of the date of
9 expiration.

10 (b) Any license forfeited pursuant to subsection (a) may
11 be restored within three years upon payment of any penalty fee,
12 the current biennial fees, and the renewal fee and workforce
13 assessment fee for the next biennium, if applicable, upon
14 submission of proof of compliance with the continuing education
15 requirement for the prior biennium, and upon meeting any other
16 requirements specified in rules adopted pursuant to chapter 91."

17 SECTION 5. Section 461-16, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
18 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

19 "(a) The board shall collect application, license, and
20 permit fees and the workforce assessment fee for each permit to
21 operate a pharmacy or for each license to operate as a wholesale



1 prescription drug distributor and a fee for the issuance of a
2 permit in accordance with section 461-15(a)(1), (5), (6) and
3 (7)."

4 SECTION 6. The director of commerce and consumer affairs
5 shall disburse on a quarterly basis from the compliance
6 resolution fund, established pursuant to section 26-9(o), Hawaii
7 Revised Statutes, to the credit of the Daniel K. Inouye college
8 of pharmacy special fund established pursuant to section
9 304A- , Hawaii Revised Statutes, all moneys collected from the
10 pharmacist workforce assessment fee assessed pursuant to section
11 461- , Hawaii Revised Statutes.

12 SECTION 7. There is appropriated out of the compliance
13 resolution fund the sum of \$ or so much thereof as may
14 be necessary for fiscal year 2024-2025 to be deposited into the
15 Daniel K. Inouye college of pharmacy special fund established
16 pursuant to section 304A- , Hawaii Revised Statutes.

17 The sum shall be reimbursed from the Daniel K. Inouye
18 college of pharmacy special fund to the compliance resolution
19 fund by July 1, .

20 SECTION 8. There is appropriated out of the Daniel K.
21 Inouye college of pharmacy special fund the sum of



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1 § or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal
2 year 2024-2025 for the purposes of the special fund as
3 authorized under section 304A- (c), Hawaii Revised Statutes.

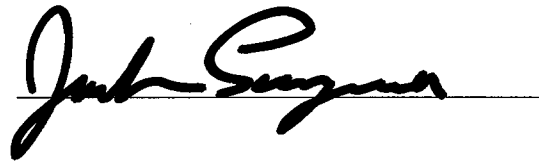
4 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the university of
5 Hawaii for the purposes of this Act.

6 SECTION 9. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
7 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

8 SECTION 10. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2024.

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INTRODUCED BY:



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Report Title:

Pharmacy; Pharmacists; Daniel K. Inouye College of Pharmacy
Special Fund; Pharmacist Workforce Assessment Fees;
Appropriation

Description:

Establishes the Daniel K. Inouye College of Pharmacy Special
Fund to support pharmacist workforce assessment and planning
efforts. Establishes the pharmacist workforce assessment fee.
Appropriates funds.

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