HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES THIRTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE, 2025 STATE OF HAWAII

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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 growing demand for 2 skilled nursing professionals is critical to addressing health 3 care shortages and ensuring the well-being of the State's 4 communities. Expanding nursing education programs of the 5 university of Hawaii is essential to developing a robust 6 workforce capable of meeting the needs of an aging population, 7 addressing health care disparities in underserved areas, and 8 responding to future public health challenges. Investment in 9 these programs not only strengthens the State's health care 10 system but also supports economic growth, improves health 11 outcomes, and enhances the State's capacity to provide equitable 12 and accessible care for all residents.

Accordingly, the purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds for various nursing programs of the university of Hawaii system.

SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so

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1 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2025-2026 and 2 the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal 3 year 2026-2027 for university of Hawaii, Manoa 4 (UOH 100)-university of Hawaii, West Oahu nursing collaboration

5 phase III.

6 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the university7 of Hawaii for the purposes of this Act.

8 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general 9 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so 10 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2025-2026 and 11 the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal 12 year 2026-2027 for the university of Hawaii, Manoa (UOH 100) for 13 the online registered nurse (RN) to bachelor of science (BS) 14 program.

15 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the university 16 of Hawaii for the purposes of this Act.

SECTION 4. 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 2025-2026 and
the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal

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1 year 2026-2027 for the university of Hawaii, West Oahu (UOH 700) 2 for the pre-nursing pathway program. The sums appropriated shall be expended by the university 3 of Hawaii for the purposes of this Act. 4 SECTION 5. There is appropriated out of the general 5 6 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so 7 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2025-2026 and 8 \$ or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal 9 year 2026-2027 for the university of Hawaii at Hilo (UOH210) to 10 increase its school of nursing cohort size.

11 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the university12 of Hawaii for the purposes of this Act.

13 SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect on July 31, 2050.

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Description: Appropriates funds to the University of Hawaii system for various nursing programs. Effective 7/31/2050. (SD1)

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