
SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO CONDUCT A MANAGEMENT AND PERFORMANCE
AUDIT OF THE OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT FOR ACADEMIC
STRATEGY OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII.

1 WHEREAS, the University of Hawaii serves as the State's
2 foremost provider of public higher education and workforce
3 development; and
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5 WHEREAS, the Office of the Vice President for Academic
6 Strategy of the University of Hawaii is responsible for
7 overseeing system-wide policies, programs, and initiatives that
8 shape the institution's academic quality, career pathways,
9 workforce pipelines, and performance metrics; and
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11 WHEREAS, the University of Hawaii has established
12 performance metrics for its academic programs, and regular
13 assessment of the metrics is necessary to enhance transparency
14 and accountability; and
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16 WHEREAS, the Legislature recognizes the importance of
17 workforce pipeline development from pre-school through
18 post-secondary education, specifically the role of Hawaii P-20
19 Partnerships for Education in building seamless pathways for
20 students; and
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22 WHEREAS, it is vital to evaluate the University of Hawaii's
23 plan to develop career pathways to ensure alignment with the
24 State's industry needs and to facilitate students' transition to
25 gainful employment; and
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27 WHEREAS, a management and performance audit of the Office
28 of the Vice President for Academic Strategy of the University of
29 Hawaii would provide valuable insights to the efficiency,
30 effectiveness, and impact of programs and initiatives under its



1 scope, enabling evidence-based improvements and strategic
2 decision-making; now, therefore,

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4 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirty-third
5 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2025, the
6 House of Representatives concurring, that the Auditor is
7 requested to perform a management and performance audit of the
8 Office of the Vice President for Academic Strategy of the
9 University of Hawaii, with a focus on:

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11 (1) The work of the Office of the Vice President for
12 Academic Strategy of the University of Hawaii,
13 specifically Hawaii P-20 Partnerships for Education,
14 in creating workforce pipelines from pre-school
15 through post-secondary education;

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17 (2) System-wide career pathway planning, including
18 alignment between academic programs and industries and
19 jobs that the State's economy demands; and

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21 (3) Coordination and articulation agreements between
22 four-year universities and community colleges that
23 ensure clear pathways for student transfer and credit
24 recognition; and

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26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Auditor is requested to
27 include in the audit:

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29 (1) Data collection and analysis on the adequacy of
30 resources allocated to the programs and initiatives,
31 including staffing, infrastructure, and funding;

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33 (2) Recommendations for improvements or changes to
34 existing policies, structures, or programs or
35 initiatives to enhance efficiency and outcomes; and

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37 (3) A timeline for implementation of recommended
38 improvements or changes; and

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40 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Auditor is requested to
41 submit to the Legislature a report of any findings and



1 recommendations, no later than twenty days prior to the
2 convening of the Regular Session of 2026; and

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4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
5 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Governor, Auditor,
6 Chair of the University of Hawaii Board of Regents, President of
7 the University of Hawaii, Vice President for Academic Strategy
8 of the University of Hawaii, and Director of Hawaii P-20
9 Partnerships for Education.

