

ACT 61

S.B. NO. 316

A Bill for an Act Relating to the University of Hawaii.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. (a) The university of Hawaii shall annually collect data by utilizing surveys, focus groups, and other appropriate feedback mechanisms to assess the effectiveness of the Hawaii community college promise program. The data collected shall provide information on the Hawaii community college promise program generally and the scholarship recipients specifically, including but not limited to:

- (1) How many scholarship recipients would have enrolled in the university of Hawaii community college system without the benefit of the program;
- (2) How many scholarship recipients begin a degree program but are unable to complete the program, despite receiving the benefit of a Hawaii community college promise program scholarship; and
- (3) The degree to which receipt of a Hawaii community college promise program scholarship directly increases the likelihood that a recipient completes a degree program.

(b) The university of Hawaii shall submit an annual report to the legislature of its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, no later than thirty days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2021 and each regular session thereafter.

SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$700,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2019-2020 and the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary

for fiscal year 2020-2021 for additional funds for the Hawaii community college promise program.

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

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2019.

(Approved June 7, 2019.)