
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO ESTABLISHING A GLOBAL YOUTH CENTER.

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

1 SECTION 1. World peace is a major collaborative goal and
2 youth are the key to attaining world peace, environmental
3 sustainability, and human and economic productivity for future
4 generations. Hawaii's location at the center of the Pacific rim
5 region between Asia and the Americas, its diverse culture, and
6 its many shared languages provide an excellent strategic forum
7 for meetings and exchanges, as demonstrated by the Millennium
8 Youth People's Congress that was held in Hawaii in October 1999.

9 The purpose of this Act is to establish a global youth
10 center in Hawaii under the University of Hawaii.

11 SECTION 2. Chapter 304A, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
12 amended by adding a new section to part IV, subpart M, to be
13 appropriately designated and to read as follows:

14 "§304A- Global youth center; establishment. (a) There
15 is established at the University of Hawaii the global youth
16 center. The purpose of the global youth center shall be to
17 generate and link an international framework in which youth from



1 around the world may become actively engaged in the attainment
2 of world peace, environmental sustainability, and human and
3 economic productivity for future generations.

4 (b) The global youth center shall:

- 5 (1) Provide youth from around the world an opportunity to
6 identify and address major global issues that will
7 directly affect their generation and future
8 generations;
- 9 (2) Prepare youth to become future leaders by providing
10 training in effective communications of their concerns
11 and in facilitation of the debate on global issues;
- 12 (3) Develop educational programs on global issues;
- 13 (4) Conduct original research on global issues;
- 14 (5) Bring together diverse people and organizations to
15 address world problems, including peace, hunger,
16 environmental protection, and public health; and
- 17 (6) Serve as an international clearinghouse for
18 information on policies affecting youth around the
19 world.

20 (c) For purposes of this section, the global youth center
21 shall collaborate with Hawaii's leaders in education, politics,



1 business, the East-West Center, and appropriate international
2 organizations."

3 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.

4 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.



Report Title:

Global Youth Center

Description:

Establishes a global youth center at the University of Hawaii.
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