
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 given the State's
2 ambitious energy and sustainability goals, it is imperative that
3 the ten campuses comprising the University of Hawaii system
4 establish an equally ambitious sustainability policy to reduce
5 its energy consumption through conservation measures, and
6 develop grid modernization and distribution systems, as well as
7 develop renewable energy solutions to ensure that it continues
8 to deliver world class educational and research opportunities
9 for generations to come. The University of Hawaii system is one
10 of the largest consumers of electricity in the State, and must
11 improve its energy performance to date.

12 The purpose of this Act is to establish a sustainability
13 office within the University of Hawaii system and provide
14 funding for key staff to coordinate implementation of the board
15 of regents' sustainability policy across all ten campuses and
16 encourage system-wide leadership to meet Aloha+ Challenge
17 targets.



1 SECTION 2. There is established the University of Hawaii
2 system office of sustainability. The office of sustainability
3 shall:

4 (1) Develop and implement strategies to achieve the board
5 of regents' sustainability goals of carbon neutrality,
6 zero waste, and local food procurement;

7 (2) Coordinate and implement strategies to support energy
8 efficiency and renewable energy goals;

9 (3) Develop diversified funding sources to support system-
10 wide sustainability activities, including working with
11 the University of Hawaii Foundation to develop and
12 cultivate a sustainability-focused donor base;

13 (4) Provide leadership to integrate sustainability goals
14 in support of the University of Hawaii's long-range
15 planning activities;

16 (5) Coordinate with and support the academic community in
17 integrating sustainability into curriculum,
18 living/learning lab opportunities, internships, and
19 service learning; and



1 (6) Coordinate student sustainability efforts throughout
 2 the University of Hawaii system by working directly
 3 with students, staff, and advisors.

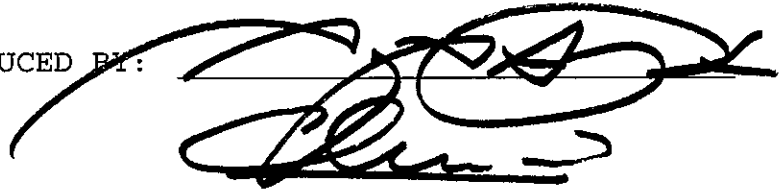
4 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
 5 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$500,000 or so much
 6 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2015-2016 and the
 7 same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year
 8 2016-2017 to establish the University of Hawaii sustainability
 9 office and hire necessary staff.

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

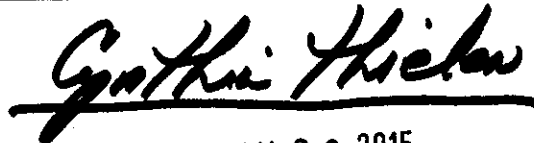
12 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2015.

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Report Title:

University of Hawaii Sustainability Office; Appropriation

Description:

Establishes the University of Hawaii sustainability office.
Appropriates funds.

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