

ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAI'I AT MĀNOA
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Senate Resolution 03-17

IN REGARDS TO THE HAWAI'I DOE STRATEGIC PLAN

WHEREAS, the Associated Students of the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa (ASUH) Senate is the elected body representing approximately 11,000 full-time classified undergraduate students; and,

WHEREAS, the 104th Senate of ASUH includes and represents former students of the Hawai'i Department of Education (HIDOE); and,

WHEREAS, every student deserves access to a curriculum that is broad and rich in content; and,

WHEREAS, every student has the right to pursue careers in their chosen fields; and

WHEREAS, liberal art programs are typically one of the first programs cut or eliminated in difficult times; and,

WHEREAS, the arts help characterize people, both as individuals and as a society¹; and

WHEREAS, it is crucial for students to challenge their minds in various ways as they grow to ensure that they gain the skills required to live in our diverse society; and,

WHEREAS, the arts have shown to promote students' learning experience and can lead to greater academic achievement; and,

WHEREAS, the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) was signed by President Barack Obama on December 10, 2015; and,

WHEREAS, the ESSA replaced the No Child Left Behind Act (NCLB); and

WHEREAS, the ESSA gives more opportunity for school districts to devote resources in activities that support a well-rounded education²; and

WHEREAS, Secretary of Education John King expressed that a well-rounded education is critical for a safe, supportive and enjoyable learning environment²; and

¹ <http://eric.ed.gov/?id=EJ888581>

² <http://www.ecs.org/ec-content/uploads/ESSAs-Well-Rounded-Education-1.pdf>

WHEREAS, Goal #1, Objective #3 of the draft Department of Education/Board of Education Strategic Plan Update 2017-2020 for Hawai‘i expresses that students shall be offered a rigorous, well-rounded education so that they are prepared to be successful; and, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the ASUH firmly believes that maximal amount of support in all subject areas is necessary for students to experience the rigorous and well-rounded education needed for students to prepare for their post-high school goals; and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the ASUH humbly requests the Hawai‘i DOE to place strong emphasis on Goal #1, Objective #3 of the Department of Education/Board of Education Strategic Plan Update 2017-2020; and;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution shall be sent to the Hawai‘i State Governor David Ige, the Hawai‘i State Governor’s ESSA task force, Hawai‘i State Board of Education Chairman Lance Mizumoto, Superintendent of Education Kathryn Matayoshi, Chairperson of the House Committee on Education Representative Roy Takumi, and Chairperson of the Senate Committee on Education Senator Michelle Kidani, and the Ka Leo o Hawai‘i.

ROLL CALL VOTE TO SPECIAL ORDER SR 03-17

Aye(s): Vice-President Dela Cruz, Treasurer Hinshaw, Secretary Nishihara, Senators-at-Large Callihan, Chen, Enriquez, Willis, Senators Chen, Crollard, Delos Reyes, Finau, Fong, Ho, Honda, Ikeda, Ishii, Klinestiver, Lao, Lee, Leval, Lo, Negrillo, Omokawa, Takagi, Tran, Urasaki, Utashiro, Wang, Yamada, Zabanal **[30]**

Naye(s): **[0]**

Abstain(s): **[0]**

ROLL CALL VOTE TO ACCEPT SB 13-17 WITH AMENDMENTS

Aye(s): Vice-President Dela Cruz, Treasurer Hinshaw, Secretary Nishihara, Senators-at-Large Callihan, Chen, Enriquez, Willis, Senators Chen, Crollard, Delos Reyes, Finau, Fong, Ho, Honda, Ikeda, Ishii, Klinestiver, Lao, Lee, Leval, Lo, Negrillo, Omokawa, Takagi, Tran, Urasaki, Utashiro, Wang, Yamada, Zabanal **[30]**

Naye(s): **[0]**

Abstain(s): **[0]**

Introducers: Danson Honda, Senator of the College of Arts and Sciences, Jannah Lyn Dela Cruz, Vice-President