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December 27, 2024

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President and Members of the Senate  
Thirty-third State Legislature  
State Capitol, Room 409  
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

The Honorable Nadine K. Nakamura  
Speaker and Members of the  
House of Representatives  
Thirty-third State Legislature  
State Capitol, Room 431  
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear President Kouchi, Speaker Nakamura, and Members of the Legislature:

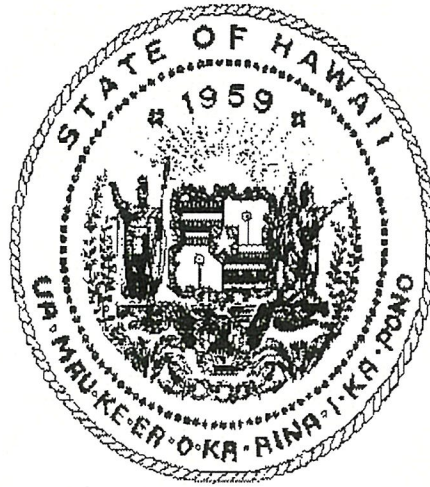
For your information and consideration, I am transmitting an amended copy of the Annual Report on the Return of Out-of-State Inmates, in response to Act 8, Session Laws of Hawaii 2007, Special Session, Part 1, Section 7(c). In accordance with Section 93-16, Hawaii Revised Statutes, I am also informing you that the report may be viewed electronically at: <https://dcr.hawaii.gov/2025-reports-to-legislature/>.

Should you have any questions regarding this report, please have your staff contact Teresita V. Fernandez, Business Management Officer, at 587-1236.

Sincerely,

  
Tommy Johnson  
Director

Enclosure



DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS  
AND REHABILITATION  
REPORT TO THE 2025 LEGISLATURE

IN RESPONSE TO ACT 8 (2007) SPECIAL SESSION, PART 1,  
SECTION 7(C) RETURN OF OUT-OF-STATE INMATES

November 2024

**Act 8 (2007) Special Session, Part 1, Section 7(c)  
Return of Out-of-State Inmates**

Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (DCR) continues to make every effort to comply with the requirement in Act 8 to return inmates housed in contracted private facilities on the mainland within one year of their parole or release date. DCR has implemented screening mechanisms to ensure that qualified inmates are returned to Hawaii's correctional facilities in a timely manner. Qualified inmates are measured by the completion of all recommended programs, misconduct-free records, and minimum custody levels.

From November 2023 to November 2024, DCR brought 185 qualified inmates back to Hawaii for parole, Sex Offender Treatment program or work furlough participation.

The following table shows the inmates that are within 1 year of their parole hearing date and have not been returned in 2024:

Non-compliance in programs (i.e. Refuse programs, termination of programs) resulting in Medium Custody	93
High/Greatest category misconducts within last 18 months resulting in Medium Custody	109
Escape history within past 7 years from community/ minimum custody facility. resulting in higher custody level	8
Detainers (i.e. Immigration, Federal, State) that precludes minimum custody housing	8
Refuse to work furlough programs & parole; wants to max out resulting in Medium Custody	61
Pending parole release to another state other than Hawaii (Interstate)	2
Pending available bed space at furlough program	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>281</b>

DCR continues to return inmates back to Hawaii from the mainland facility. From the previous count of 876 inmates (Beginning of 2024), the count of inmates has increased to 939 inmates currently housed at the out-of-state facility. DCR continues to strive to comply with ACT 8 by encouraging inmates to complete their recommended programs to transition back through the work furlough program and achieve the goals and objectives of Act 8.