
HOUSE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY TO CONDUCT A SECURITY
AUDIT OF THE HAWAII YOUTH CORRECTIONAL FACILITY.

1 WHEREAS, ensuring the safety of the public and the security
2 of staff and inmates are at the heart of any correctional
3 facility operations; and
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5 WHEREAS, there have been several escapes in the past from
6 the Hawaii Youth Correctional Facility (HYCF), including an
7 escape in 2005; and
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9 WHEREAS, HYCF is located in Kailua, a residential community
10 that has been accommodating and cooperative with regard to the
11 needs of HYCF; and
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13 WHEREAS, any escape from HYCF has a significant impact on
14 the safety of the Kailua community and the surrounding
15 residential areas; and
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17 WHEREAS, the Legislature is concerned about the security
18 operations of HYCF and how the safety of the surrounding
19 community can be better addressed; now, therefore,
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21 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
22 Twenty-third Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session
23 of 2006, that the Director of Public Safety is requested to
24 conduct a security audit of HYCF to assess the security
25 practices of the facility for the purposes of preventing
26 escapes; and
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28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature requests that
29 the security audit of HYCF include but not be limited to:
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31 (1) A review of its practices relating to the control and
32 security of keys, tools, and other instruments;
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34 (2) A review of the security features of all of the
35 physical structures of each building such as doors,



1 locks, windows, walls, and other items and objects
2 located on the perimeter grounds that may affect
3 security of the facility;

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5 (3) A review of existing security policies and procedures
6 and its effect on the operations and good governance
7 of the facility;

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9 (4) A review of existing emergency plans and safety
10 procedures for wards and staff at the facility; and

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12 (5) Recommendations for security practices, plans,
13 policies, procedures, and any other factor that would
14 contribute to making HYCF more secure and safe with
15 regard to escapes;

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19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Executive Director of the
20 Office of Youth Services is requested to:

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22 (1) Cooperate with the Department of Public Safety (DPS)
23 in its security audit of HYCF;

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25 (2) Consider DPS's recommendations for any security
26 upgrades or policy, procedural, or operational
27 changes;

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29 (3) Recommend proposed legislation necessary to accomplish
30 the recommendations; and

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32 (4) Request additional funding, if needed, to incorporate
33 into the executive budget;

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37 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director of Public Safety
38 is requested to submit any findings and recommendations on the
39 security audit to the Governor, Legislature, Director of Human
40 Services, and Executive Director of Youth Services no later than
41 October 2, 2006; and
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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
2 Resolution be transmitted to the Governor, Director of Public
3 Safety, Director of Human Services, Executive Director of Youth
4 Services, and the Administrator of the Hawaii Youth Correctional
5 Facility.

