A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO CORRECTIONS.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that there are 2 approximately ten Hawaii inmates who are housed in various 3 prisons in the continental United States under interstate 4 compact agreements. There are currently no efforts to monitor 5 conditions at these prisons or the health and safety of Hawaii 6 inmates being held there. 7 The purpose of this Act is to expand the duties of the 8 mainland branch of the department of public safety, to require 9 the monitoring of conditions, on a quarterly basis, at out-of-10 state prisons where Hawaii inmates are serving their sentences 11 through interstate compact agreements. The Act also 12 appropriates funds for monitoring conditions of out-of-state 13 prisons. The monitoring reports generated from visits to 14 SECTION 2. 15 these prisons, as with reports generated from every privately contracted private prison housing Hawaii inmates, shall be 16 17 minimally redacted to exclude a particular inmate's name and 18 other sensitive and protected information. All monitoring

- 1 reports shall be made available to the public pursuant to the
- 2 provisions of chapters 92 and 92F.
- 3 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
- 4 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$, or so much
- 5 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2007-2008, and the
- 6 same sum, or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year
- 7 2008-2009, for the monitoring of Hawaii inmates housed in out-
- 8 of-state correctional facilities through interstate compact
- 9 agreements.
- 10 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department
- 11 of public safety for the purposes of this Act.
- 12 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2007.

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Report Title:

PSD; Interstate Compact Agreements; Appropriation

Description:

Appropriates funds to include, as part of the duties of the mainland branch of the department of public safety, the monitoring of conditions at prisons where Hawaii inmates are serving their sentences through interstate compact agreements.