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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE COMPREHENSIVE OFFENDER REENTRY SYSTEM.

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

PART I. OFFENDER REENTRY SYSTEM

1 **PART I. OFFENDER REENTRY SYSTEM**
2 SECTION 1. The Legislature recognized the importance of a
3 comprehensive offender reentry system to help ex-offenders to
4 reintegrate back into the community and reduce recidivism and
5 passed Act 8, Special Session Laws of Hawaii 2007, to this
6 purpose.

7 Currently, the department of public safety serves offenders
8 through a system of programs and services for the purpose of
9 reintegrating offenders back into Hawaii's communities. From
10 in-depth assessments of offenders' risks and needs to
11 transitional programs for individuals exiting the correctional
12 system, the department of public safety's existing programs and
13 services build a solid foundation for Hawaii's offender reentry
14 efforts. In order for the department to fundamentally implement
15 the comprehensive offender reentry plan, as set forth in Act 8,
16 Special Session 2007, more flexibility needs to be provided to
17 the department in relation to already existing reentry programs
18 and services.

1 The department of public safety must take into
2 consideration both resource availability and implementation
3 feasibility in regard to various provisions of Act 8. In its
4 current form, Act 8 requires the department of public safety to
5 implement a series of services and programs with little
6 flexibility or lead time. Particularly, the return of out-of-
7 State prisoners one year prior to their parole date will not
8 only increase the costs of providing bed space and services to
9 inmates, it will also overtax an already over-capacity
10 correctional system. When other services and programs required
11 by Act 8 are also considered, which together will provide over
12 thirty programs and services to offenders and their families; it
13 becomes impossible for the department to be in compliance within
14 the short time frame mandated by law as considerations need to
15 be made for how these new programs will fit into already
16 existing offender reentry efforts. Recidivism and offender
17 reentry are long-term problems that require long-term solutions.

18 The legislature recognizes the need for creativity in
19 dealing with Hawaii's offender reentry process. In order to
20 adequately implement Act 8, it is crucial to provide more
21 discretion, which will allow the department to prioritize

1 programs and resources for the most effective implementation of
2 Act 8.

3 Finally, while the department of public safety understands
4 the need to provide offenders with a smoother transition
5 process, some of the programs and services mandated by Act 8 are
6 not conducive to good governance at correctional facilities. In
7 particular, a provision that mandates the department to allow
8 ex-offenders to contact persons who are still imprisoned through
9 the use of technology, such as video conferencing, can
10 unintentionally allow criminal activity to continue under the
11 guise of mentorship. The department emphasizes the need to
12 ensure the safety of inmates, staff, and the public by making
13 security considerations a priority.

14 The purpose of this part is to clarify the expectations and
15 duties of the department of public safety, in collaboration with
16 other state and private agencies in order to jointly plan,
17 implement, and comply with the programs and requirements of the
18 comprehensive offender reentry system.

19 SECTION 2. Section 353H-3, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
20 amended to read as follows:

21 "[~~f~~]**§353H-3**[~~f~~] **Offender reentry system plan**[~~f~~,~~-creation~~].

1 (a) The department of public safety shall develop a
2 comprehensive and effective offender reentry system plan for
3 adult offenders exiting the prison system.

4 (b) The department of public safety shall coordinate with
5 the Hawaii paroling authority, department of human services and
6 the department of health, and other public and private agencies
7 and individuals as necessary to develop and continuously update
8 comprehensive reentry plans and curricula for individuals exiting
9 correctional facilities in order to reduce recidivism and
10 increase a person's successful reentry into the community. The
11 reentry plans [~~shall~~] may include [~~, but not limited to~~]:

12 (1) Adopting an operational philosophy that considers that
13 offender reentry begins on the day an offender enters
14 the correctional system. Each offender entering the
15 system [~~shall~~] should be assessed to determine the
16 offender's needs in order to assist the individual
17 offender with developing the skills necessary to be
18 successful in the community;

19 (2) Providing appropriate programs, including, but not
20 limited to, education, substance abuse treatment,
21 cognitive skills development, vocational and employment

- 1 training, and other programs that help to meet the
2 assessed needs of each individual;
- 3 (3) Developing a comprehensive network of transitional
4 programs to address the needs of individuals exiting
5 the correctional system;
- 6 (4) Ensuring that all reentry programs are gender-
7 responsive;
- 8 (5) Issuing requests for proposals from community-based
9 nonprofit programs with experience with offenders in
10 the area of reentry; and
- 11 (6) Instituting model reentry programs for adult
12 offenders."

13 SECTION 3. Section 353H-4, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
14 amended to read as follows:

15 "[+]§353H-4[+] **Model programs; department of public**
16 **safety.** Subject to funding by the legislature, the department of
17 public safety shall enhance the State's comprehensive offender
18 reentry system by developing model programs designed to reduce
19 recidivism and promote successful reentry into the community.
20 Components of the model programs [~~shall~~] may include [~~but are not~~
21 ~~limited to~~]:

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- 1 (1) Highly skilled staff who are experienced in working
2 with offender reentry programs;
- 3 (2) Individualized case management and a full continuum of
4 care to ensure successful reentry;
- 5 (3) Life skills development workshops, including budgeting,
6 money management, nutrition, and exercise; development
7 of self-determination through education; employment
8 training; special education for the learning disabled;
9 social, cognitive, communication, and life skills
10 training; and appropriate treatment programs, including
11 substance abuse and mental health treatment;
- 12 (4) Parenting and relationship building classes. The
13 department [~~shall~~] may institute policies that support
14 family cohesion and family participation in offenders'
15 transition to the community, and, where possible,
16 provide geographical proximity of offenders to their
17 children and families; and
- 18 (5) Ongoing attention to building support for offenders
19 from communities, community agencies, and
20 organizations."

21 SECTION 4. Section 353H-5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
22 amended to read as follows:

1 " ~~[+]~~ §353H-5 ~~[+]~~ **Children of incarcerated parents; families.**

2 The director of public safety shall ~~[+]~~ coordinate with department
3 of human services, the Hawaii paroling authority, and the
4 department of health as necessary to:

5 (1) Establish policies or rules that parent inmates be
6 placed in correctional facilities, with consideration
7 given to the safety of staff, inmates and the best
8 interests of the inmates and their families ~~[, in the~~
9 ~~best interest of the family, rather than on economic or~~
10 ~~administrative factors];~~

11 (2) Consider as a factor an offender's capacity to maintain
12 parent-child contact when making prison placements of
13 offenders;

14 (3) ~~[Conduct, coordinate, or promote]~~ Obtain support from
15 the department of human services in any research that
16 examines the impact of a parent's incarceration on the
17 well-being of the offender's child that shall include
18 both direct contact with an offender's child, as well
19 as reports of caregivers, to the extent possible within
20 existing resources; and

21 (4) ~~[Conduct, coordinate, or promote]~~ Obtain support from
22 the department of human services in any research that

1 focuses on the relationship of incarcerated fathers
2 with their children and the long-term impact of
3 incarceration on fathers and their children to the
4 extent possible within existing resources."

5 SECTION 5. Section 353H-7, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
6 amended to read as follows:

7 "[~~f~~]**§353H-7**[~~]~~ **Return of out-of-state inmates.** (a) The
8 director of public safety shall, when the department determines
9 it is practical and financially feasible, and the safety of
10 staff, inmates, and the public are not endangered, return Hawaii
11 inmates held in out-of-state prisons at least one year prior to
12 the inmate's parole or release date in order for these inmates to
13 participate in programs preparing them for reentry on the island
14 where they have the most support; provided that inmates
15 participating in reentry programs at the mainland facility in
16 which they are incarcerated consent to the return.

17 (b) The provisions of subsection (a) shall not prevent the
18 return of other Hawaii inmates held in out-of-state prisons with
19 less than one year left of their sentence from being returned in
20 preparation for reentry to the island where they have the most
21 support.

1 (c) The department of public safety shall provide a report
2 to the legislature at the end of each calendar year on any
3 inmates not returned pursuant to this section with an explanation
4 of the reasoning and circumstances for noncompliance."

5 SECTION 6. Section 353H-31, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
6 amended to read as follows:

7 "~~+~~§353H-31~~+~~ **Adult offender reentry programs and**
8 **services.** (a) The director of public safety may authorize
9 purchase of service contracts, in accordance with chapter 103F,
10 subject to legislative or other appropriate funding, for adult
11 offender reentry programs and services that establish or improve
12 the offender reentry system and in which each adult offender in
13 state correctional custody is provided an individualized reentry
14 plan.

15 (b) Subject to funding by the legislature or other
16 appropriate sources, the department of public safety ~~shall~~ may
17 authorize the purchase of service contracts for activities that:

18 (1) Coordinate the supervision and services provided to
19 adult offenders in state custody with the supervision
20 and services provided to offenders who have reentered
21 the community;

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- 1 (2) ~~[Coordinate efforts of various public and private~~
2 ~~entities to provide]~~ Support the Hawaii paroling
3 authority, the department of human services, and other
4 agencies in their effort to coordinate supervision and
5 services to ex-offenders after reentry into the
6 community with the offenders' family members;
- 7 (3) Provide offenders awaiting reentry into the community
8 with documents, such as identification papers,
9 referrals to services, medical prescriptions, job
10 training certificates, apprenticeship papers,
11 information on obtaining public assistance, and other
12 documents useful in achieving a successful transition
13 from prison;
- 14 (4) Involve county agencies whose programs and initiatives
15 strengthen offender reentry services for individuals
16 who have been returned to the county of their
17 jurisdiction;
- 18 ~~[(5) Allow ex-offenders who have reentered the community to~~
19 ~~continue to contact mentors who remain incarcerated~~
20 ~~through the use of technology, such as~~
21 ~~videoconferencing, or encourage mentors in prison to~~
22 ~~support the ex-offenders' reentry process;]~~

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1 [~~(6) Provide~~] (5) Coordinate with the Hawaii paroling
2 authority, the department of human services, and the
3 Hawaii public housing authority to provide structured
4 programs, post-release housing, and transitional
5 housing, including group homes for recovering substance
6 abusers, through which offenders are provided
7 supervision and services immediately following reentry
8 into the community;

9 [~~(7) Assist~~] (6) Coordinate with the Hawaii paroling
10 authority, the department of human services, and the
11 Hawaii public housing authority to assist offenders in
12 securing permanent housing upon release or following a
13 stay in transitional housing;

14 [~~(8) Continue~~] (7) Coordinate with the Hawaii paroling
15 authority, the department of human services, and the
16 department of health to link offenders with health
17 resources and health services that were provided to
18 them when they were in state custody, including mental
19 health, substance abuse treatment, aftercare, and
20 treatment services for contagious diseases;

21 [~~(9)~~] (8) Provide education, job training, English as a
22 second language programs, work experience programs,

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1 self-respect and life-skills training, and other skills
2 needed to achieve self-sufficiency for a successful
3 transition from prison;

4 [~~(10) Facilitate~~] (9) Coordinate with the department of
5 labor and industrial relations, the department of tax,
6 the Hawaii paroling authority, the university of Hawaii
7 and its community colleges, and trade unions to
8 facilitate collaboration among corrections
9 administrators, technical schools, community colleges,
10 and the workforce development and employment service
11 sectors to ensure efforts to:

12 (A) Promote, where appropriate, the employment of
13 persons released from prison, through efforts such
14 as educating employers about existing financial
15 incentives, and facilitate the creation of job
16 opportunities, including transitional jobs, for
17 such persons that will also benefit communities;

18 (B) Connect offenders to employment, including
19 supportive employment and employment services,
20 before their release to the community; and

1 (C) Address barriers to employment, including
2 obtaining a driver's license; or other acceptable
3 government issued identification;

4 [~~(11)~~] (10) Assess the literacy and educational needs of
5 offenders in custody and [~~provide~~] recommend
6 appropriate services to meet those needs, including
7 follow-up assessments and long-term services;

8 [~~(12) Address~~] (11) Work with other public and private
9 agencies to address systems under which family members
10 of offenders are involved with facilitating the
11 successful reentry of those offenders into the
12 community, including removing obstacles to the
13 maintenance of family relationships while the offender
14 is in custody, strengthening the family's capacity to
15 establish and maintain a stable living situation during
16 the reentry process where appropriate, and involving
17 family members in the planning and implementation of
18 the reentry process;

19 [~~(13)~~] (12) Include victims, on a voluntary basis, in the
20 offender's reentry process;

21 [~~(14) Facilitate~~] (13) Promote visitation and maintenance
22 of family relationships with respect to offenders in

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1 custody by addressing obstacles such as travel,
2 telephone costs, mail restrictions, and restrictive
3 visitation policies[+], subject to security
4 requirements that ensure the safety of the public, the
5 staff, the inmate, and other inmates;

6 [~~(15)~~ Identify and address barriers to collaborating with
7 ~~child welfare~~] (14) Coordinate with public and private
8 agencies [in the provision of] to jointly provide
9 services [jointly] to offenders in custody and to the
10 children of those offenders if determined necessary;

11 [~~(16)~~] (15) Collect information, to the best of the
12 department's ability, regarding dependent children of
13 incarcerated persons as part of intake procedures,
14 including the number of children, age, and location or
15 jurisdiction for the exclusive purpose of connecting
16 identified children of incarcerated parents with
17 appropriate services and compiling statistical
18 information;

19 [~~(17)~~ Address] (16) Consider barriers to the visitation of
20 children with an incarcerated parent, and maintenance
21 of the parent-child relationship, such as the location
22 of facilities in remote areas, telephone costs, mail

1 restrictions, and visitation policies^[+], subject to
2 security requirements;

3 ~~[(18) Create, develop,]~~ (17) Develop or enhance prisoner
4 and family assessments curricula, policies, procedures,
5 or programs, including mentoring programs, to help
6 prisoners with a history or identified risk of domestic
7 violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking
8 reconnect with their families and communities, as
9 appropriate, and become mutually respectful;

10 ~~[(19) Develop]~~ (18) Obtain the assistance of the
11 department of human services and the department of
12 education in the development of voluntary programs and
13 activities that support parent-child relationships to
14 the extent possible within existing resources, such as:

15 (A) Using telephone conferencing to permit
16 incarcerated parents to participate in parent-
17 teacher conferences;

18 (B) Using videoconferencing to allow virtual
19 visitation when incarcerated persons are more than
20 one hundred miles from their families;

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1 (C) Developing books on tape programs, through which
2 incarcerated parents read a book into a tape to be
3 sent to their children;

4 (D) The establishment of family days, which provide
5 for longer visitation hours or family activities;
6 or

7 (E) The creation of children's areas in visitation
8 rooms with parent-child activities;

9 [~~(20) Expand~~] (19) Assist the department of human services
10 and the Hawaii paroling authority in developing family-
11 based treatment centers that offer family-based
12 comprehensive treatment services for parents and their
13 children as a complete family unit to the extent
14 possible within existing resources;

15 [~~(21) Conduct~~] (20) Assist the university of Hawaii in
16 conducting studies to determine who is returning to
17 prison and which of those returning prisoners represent
18 the greatest risk to community safety;

19 [~~(22) Develop~~] (21) Assist the Hawaii paroling authority to
20 further develop or adopt procedures to ensure that
21 dangerous felons are not released from prison
22 prematurely;

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- 1 ~~[(23) Develop and implement procedures to assist relevant~~
2 ~~authorities in determining when release is appropriate~~
3 ~~and in the use of data to inform the release decision;]~~
- 4 ~~[(24)]~~ (22) Utilize validated assessment tools to assess
5 the risk factors of returning offenders to the
6 community and prioritizing services based on risk;
- 7 ~~[(25)]~~ (23) Facilitate and encourage timely and complete
8 payment of restitution and fines by ex-offenders to
9 victims and the community; and
- 10 ~~[(26) Consider establishing the use of reentry courts to:~~
11 ~~(A) Monitor offenders returning to the community;~~
12 ~~(B) Provide returning offenders with:~~
13 ~~—(i) Drug and alcohol testing and treatment; and~~
14 ~~(ii) Mental and medical health assessment~~
15 ~~services;~~
- 16 ~~(C) Facilitate restorative justice practices and~~
17 ~~convene family or community impact panels, family~~
18 ~~impact educational classes, victim impact panels,~~
19 ~~or victim impact educational classes;~~
- 20 ~~(D) Provide and coordinate the delivery of other~~
21 ~~community services to offenders, including:~~
22 ~~—(i) Housing assistance;~~

1 ~~-(ii) Education;~~
2 ~~-(iii) Employment training;~~
3 ~~-(iv) Children and family support;~~
4 ~~-(v) Conflict resolution skills training;~~
5 ~~-(vi) Family violence intervention programs; and~~
6 ~~-(vii) Other appropriate social services; and~~
7 ~~(E) Establish and implement graduated sanctions and~~
8 ~~incentives; and]~~

9 ~~[(27) Provide]~~ (24) Assist the Hawaii paroling authority
10 by providing technology and other tools necessary to
11 ~~[advance]~~ enhance post-release supervision."

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13 **PART II. OFFENDER REENTRY LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE**

14 SECTION 7. Prior to the establishment of the offender
15 reentry legislative oversight committee, the legislature already
16 had the ability to analyze, evaluate, and review operations at
17 the department of public safety; as well as conduct site visits
18 and meet publicly to receive input regarding the department.

19 The purpose of this part is to repeal the offender reentry
20 legislative oversight committee as it does not add to the duties
21 and functions of the legislature.

1 SECTION 8. Chapter 353H, part II, Hawaii Revised Statutes,
2 is repealed.

3 " [~~§353H-21] Legislative oversight committee, established.~~
4 ~~There is established a legislative oversight committee to ensure~~
5 ~~transparency in the operations of the department, analyze the~~
6 ~~effectiveness of the department's governance, operations, and~~
7 ~~administration of its programs and services, evaluate the~~
8 ~~department's purchase of community based programs and services,~~
9 ~~and review any other issues impacting the department. The~~
10 ~~legislative oversight committee shall conduct site visits and~~
11 ~~have access to all areas in correctional facilities, within the~~
12 ~~constraints of safety and security. The legislative oversight~~
13 ~~committee shall meet publicly for input and recommendations for~~
14 ~~the department. The legislative oversight committee shall be~~
15 ~~composed of members of the standing committees of both houses of~~
16 ~~the legislature whose purview is to oversee the department. The~~
17 ~~legislative oversight committee shall be jointly chaired by the~~
18 ~~legislative standing committees' respective chairs.] "~~

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20 **PART III. PILOT DAY REPORTING CENTER**

21 SECTION 9. The department of public safety will encounter
22 much difficulty in implementing a pilot day reporting center if

1 provided with only one year of funding. One year is not an
2 adequate amount of time for the department to locate, open,
3 staff, and operate a pilot day reporting center. Moreover, it is
4 also not an adequate amount of time to collect accurate and
5 representative data regarding the effectiveness of the center.
6 In order to properly develop a day reporting center that
7 successfully responds to the needs of offenders, more than one
8 year is needed for planning and operation. It would be a
9 disservice to the offenders the department is attempting to
10 assist if the established center disappears one year later.

11 The purpose of this part is to repeal the establishment of a
12 pilot day reporting center and to instead re-appropriate
13 associated funding to develop and implement an enhanced offender
14 monitoring and supervision system.

15 SECTION 10. Act 8, Special Session Laws of Hawaii 2007, is
16 amended by repealing sections 6 and 7.

17 "~~SECTION 6. The department of public safety, through its~~
18 ~~intake service centers and education divisions, shall establish a~~
19 ~~one year pilot day reporting center that will be available to two~~
20 ~~hundred offenders who have six months to one year left to serve~~
21 ~~on their sentence. The center shall offer a continuum of~~
22 ~~services to prepare offenders for transition and reintegration~~

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1 ~~into the community. The center staff shall consist of a program~~
 2 ~~director, counselors, social workers, and other professional and~~
 3 ~~clerical staff. The ideal ratio of counselors to offenders shall~~
 4 ~~be one counselor for every twenty five offenders. The ideal~~
 5 ~~ratio of social workers to offenders shall be one social worker~~
 6 ~~for every fifteen offenders. The department of public safety may~~
 7 ~~contract with a private or not for profit agency for the~~
 8 ~~necessary services to carry out the purposes of this part.~~

9 ~~SECTION 7. The department of public safety shall submit, no~~
 10 ~~later than twenty days prior to the start of the 2008 and 2009~~
 11 ~~regular sessions of the legislature, a written report on:~~

- 12 ~~(1) The outcome of the pilot project;~~
- 13 ~~(2) Cost analysis and an accounting of expenses;~~
- 14 ~~(3) Relevant data on program participants;~~
- 15 ~~(4) Program and management evaluations; and~~
- 16 ~~(5) Any other pertinent information, recommendations, or~~
 17 ~~proposed legislation, if any, to determine whether the~~
 18 ~~program should be continued.] "~~

19 ~~SECTION 11. Act 8, Special Session Laws of Hawaii 2007, is~~
 20 ~~amended by amending section 8 to read as follows:~~

21 ~~"SECTION 8. There is appropriated out of the general~~
 22 ~~revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$1,820,000 or so much~~

1 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year [~~2007-2008~~] 2008-2009
2 for the [~~establishment of a one year pilot day reporting center~~]
3 development and implementation of an enhanced offender monitoring
4 and supervision system.

5 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
6 public safety, who may contract with a private or nonprofit
7 agency to operate [~~the day reporting center for the purposes of~~
8 ~~this part.~~] and maintain the system."

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10 **PART IV. COGNITIVE RESTRUCTURING PILOT PROGRAM**

11 SECTION 12. The department of public safety supports the
12 establishment of cognitive restructuring programs. However, it
13 is in the best interest of the offenders if program sites are not
14 pre-selected without consideration for the needs of individual
15 offender populations at various correctional sites. The
16 department of public safety should be authorized to designate
17 location of programs as a means of ensuring that programs and
18 services are allocated to offenders who are in the best position
19 to take advantage of them and benefit the most from them.

20 The purpose of this part is to amend the appropriation
21 provision to allow the department to establish cognitive

1 restructuring pilot programs at any correctional site it deems
2 most appropriate.

3 SECTION 13. Act 8, Special Session Laws of Hawaii 2007, is
4 amended by amending sections 19 and 20 to read as follows:

5 "SECTION 19. The cognitive restructuring pilot program
6 shall be established by the department of public safety at a
7 location or locations determined by the department and teach
8 specific skills that include problem solving, social skills
9 training, anger management, and empathy training. [~~The cognitive~~
10 ~~restructuring pilot program shall be established in the county of~~
11 ~~Hawaii at Kulani correctional facility, Hawaii community~~
12 ~~correctional center, and Hale Nani reintegration center.~~]

13 SECTION 20. There is appropriated out of the general
14 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$33,000 or so much
15 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year [~~2007-2008~~] 2008-2009
16 for a cognitive restructuring pilot program [~~to be established in~~
17 ~~the county of Hawaii at Kulani correctional facility, Hawaii~~
18 ~~community correctional center, and Hale Nani reintegration~~
19 ~~center]~~."

20 SECTION 14. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
21 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

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1 SECTION 15. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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BY REQUEST

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Report Title:

Comprehensive offender reentry

Description:

Amends the parameters of the comprehensive offender reentry system program (Act 8 of 2007) to ensure its provisions are in compliance with good governance of correctional facilities. Eliminates provisions allowing contact between former inmates and those still in prison, requires return of out-of-state prisoners only when safety of staff and inmates is not endangered, and involves relevant State agencies in helping with family, education, and housing needs of inmates.

JUSTIFICATION SHEET

DEPARTMENT: PUBLIC SAFETY

TITLE: A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE
COMPREHENSIVE OFFENDER REENTRY SYSTEM.

PURPOSE: To clarify the parameters of the offender
reentry program.

MEANS: Amend sections 353H-3, 353H-4, 353H-5, 353H-
7, and 353H-31, Hawaii Revised Statutes, and
sections 8, 17, 19, and 20 of Act 8, Special
Session Laws of Hawaii 2007, and repeal part
II of chapter 353H, Hawaii Revised Statutes,
and sections 6 and 7 of Act 8, Special
Session Laws of Hawaii 2007.

JUSTIFICATION: In order to comply with the requirements of
this act, clarification is needed to
identify the different departments required
to work jointly to plan, implement, and
evaluate the comprehensive offender reentry
system.

Amendments and repeals of provisions are
made for the purposes of improving the
implementation process and allowing the
department to prioritize programs and
services in relation to resource
availability and implementation feasibility.

Impact on the public: There should be a
positive impact on the public as this
measure should enhance effective government
operations and eliminate duplicative
functions.

Impact on the department and other agencies:
This act clarifies the responsibilities in
the joint effort between agencies to
implement the programs required by this
statute.

GENERAL FUND: Reappropriates \$1,853,000 for clarified
purposes.

OTHER FUNDS: None.

PPBS PROGRAM
DESIGNATION: None.

OTHER AFFECTED
AGENCIES: Hawaii Paroling Authority, Department of
Human Services, Department of Health,
Department of Labor and Industrial
Relations, Department of Tax, Hawaii Public
Housing Authority and the University of
Hawaii.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon approval.