

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 344 -08

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 12, 2008

RE: H.B. No. 3426  
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2008  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Public Safety & Military Affairs, to which was referred H.B. No. 3426 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COGNITIVE RESTRUCTURING,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to improve chances of successful reintegration to the community for inmates, especially those of Hawaiian ancestry by appropriating funds for the Department of Public Safety (DPS) to provide reintegration programs that combine cognitive behavioral theory with Native Hawaiian holistic interventions that address domestic violence, addictions, self mastery through identity, and community connections.

DPS, the Office of Hawaiian Affairs, Drug Policy Forum of Hawaii, Community Alliance on Prisons, and several concerned individuals supported this bill.

Your Committee has amended this bill by:

- (1) Directing DPS to establish a reintegration pilot program that combines cognitive behavioral theory with Native Hawaiian holistic interventions within Hawaii correctional facilities;
- (2) Changing the appropriation to an unspecified amount; and

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- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive changes for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Public Safety & Military Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 3426, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 3426, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Public Safety & Military Affairs,

  
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CINDY EVANS, Chair

