

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 1488
S.D. 1

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa
President of the Senate
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2008
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 1488, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CORRECTIONAL INDUSTRIES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to increase the number of temporary exempt positions under the correctional industries program.

The Department of Public Safety submitted testimony in support of this measure. The Hawaii Government Employees Association submitted testimony in opposition to this measure.

This measure increases the number of temporary exempt positions under the correctional industries program from forty-five to sixty-five positions in any fiscal year. Your Committee finds that this increase in temporary exempt positions will allow for the expansion of the Correction Industries Division's vocational rehabilitative programs and work opportunities for the incarcerated population. Vocational rehabilitative programs and work opportunities help prepare inmates for re-entry into the community.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 1488, S.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Ways and Means,



ROSALYN H. BAKER, Chair



