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because much of the correspondence is time sensitive and needs to be processed quickly to ensure that Hawai'i is abiding by the rules of the compact.

The Interstate Commission for Adult Offender Supervision Rule 4.107 states that a sending state may impose a fee for each transfer application prepared for an offender. In view of the time spent in processing an offender for transfer from Hawaii to another state, a fee not to exceed \$200 is reasonable and should be assessed. This fee will also help defray some of costs for the coordinator position that is being requested. During the 2007 calendar year, 230 transfer requests were processed. If a \$200 fee had been assessed for each of these cases, the state would have generated income in the amount of \$46,000 which could be used to fund the salary for the coordinator's position.

Hawai'i's current law indicates that the terms of all members shall be for four years and no person shall be appointed consecutively to more than two terms. The bill proposes that the compact administrator be exempted from a limited term as this individual is responsible for overseeing the daily activities of Hawai'i's interstate office and coordinating all of the activities of the State Council.

In closing, the Judiciary is in full support of the bill. Thank you for the opportunity to testify on Senate Bill No. 2083, S.D. 2.

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TESTIMONY ON SENATE BILL 2083, SD 2
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Representative Sharon Har, Vice Chair

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Chair Evans, Vice Chair Har and Members of the Committee:

The Hawaii Paroling Authority strongly supports Senate Bill 2083, SD 2 relating to the interstate council and interstate transfer of adult offenders

Enacted in 2002, the Interstate Commission for Adult Offender Supervision (ICAOS) serves as the national governing body for the movement of probation and parole offenders in the United States. Rules have been established and the commission has the authority to enforce these rules and sanction states that are not in compliance. Fines and mandatory corrective measures have been placed on states that have not complied with ICAOS standards. The increase to the state council's membership would aid in the oversight of interstate transfer as the recommended members are key components to the criminal justice system in Hawaii.

The full time coordinator's position is needed to ensure Hawaii will be in compliance with the interstate rules. Timely handling and responding to documents and inquiries are vital in interstate compliance. Due to the complexity and ever changing rules from ICAOS, a full time position dedicated to interstate transfer is truly needed. Application fees collected from offenders wishing to transfer out of Hawaii, could be used to assist in the funding of this position.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify in this matter and we ask for your support in passing this bill.