
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO COMMITTED PERSONS' ACCOUNTS.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 353-20, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 "**§353-20 Custody of moneys; accounts for committed**
4 **persons, etc.** All sums collected under this chapter and any
5 other authorized sources shall be deposited by the department
6 into ~~[an individual trust account to the credit of the committed~~
7 ~~person.]~~ one or more accounts with one or more financial
8 institutions opened by the department for the specific purpose
9 of maintaining committed persons' funds. The department shall
10 maintain ~~[individual ledger accounts for each committed person~~
11 ~~and shall issue to each committed person a quarterly statement~~
12 ~~showing credits and debits.]~~ accounts for each committed person
13 to allow committed persons use of their own funds for approved
14 expenses and purchases during incarceration. The director may
15 designate a percentage of all funds earned by the committed
16 person while in custody to be deposited and held in a
17 nonspendable account for the purpose of providing funds for that



1 same committed person upon release from custody. The structure
2 of these accounts shall be designed so that all funds deposited
3 by or for a committed person shall be credited to the accounts.
4 Accounts maintained by the department for committed persons
5 shall not bear interest. No interest of any kind shall be paid
6 to a committed person on any account maintained by the
7 department for the committed person. The department shall
8 provide quarterly accounting statements to all committed persons
9 held in custody for over one quarter of the year. The
10 department shall conduct annual audits on all committed persons'
11 accounts."

12 SECTION 2. This Act shall apply to all committed person's
13 accounts established before and after the effective date of this
14 Act.

15 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
16 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

17 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2025.



Report Title:

Committed Persons' Accounts

Description:

Amends section 353-20, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to permit the Director of Public Safety to direct the department to have one or more accounts for committed persons. Also states that the accounts are non-interest bearing and that no interest can be paid to committed persons on the individual accounts. Effective July 1, 2025. (HB1152 HD1)

