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# HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU TO CONDUCT A STUDY  
ON INMATE REENTRY PROGRAMS THAT HAVE BEEN OR ARE PLANNED TO  
BE IMPLEMENTED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY IN  
ACCORDANCE WITH THE COMMUNITY SAFETY ACT OF 2007.

1           WHEREAS, Act 8, First Special Session Laws of Hawaii 2007,  
2 also known as the Community Safety Act of 2007 and codified as  
3 chapter 353H, Hawaii Revised Statutes, established a  
4 comprehensive offender reentry system under the purview of the  
5 Department of Public Safety; and

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7           WHEREAS, the Community Safety Act of 2007 also requires the  
8 Department of Public Safety to submit annual reports through  
9 2010 relating to the implementation, progress, and effectiveness  
10 of the program components specified in the Community Safety Act;  
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13           WHEREAS, while the Department of Public Safety's annual  
14 report lists program activities and statistics, it does not  
15 include information on program outcomes; and

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17           WHEREAS, performance indicators are an effective way to  
18 track the progress of the comprehensive reentry system and to  
19 reflect the philosophical change to the Department of Public  
20 Safety's approach to rehabilitation and reentry mandated by the  
21 Community Safety Act; now, therefore,

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23           BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
24 Twenty-fifth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session  
25 of 2009, the Senate concurring, that the Legislative Reference  
26 Bureau is requested to study the inmate reentry programs that  
27 have been or are planned to be implemented by the Department of  
28 Public Safety in accordance with the Community Safety Act of  
29 2007; and  
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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislative Reference  
2 Bureau is requested to include the following information as part  
3 of its study:

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5 (1) The public-private partnerships that the Department of  
6 Public Safety has entered into with private nonprofit  
7 organizations to run reentry programs, including but  
8 not limited to programs for non-violent drug offenders  
9 and sex offenders;

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11 (2) The resources including personnel, work hours,  
12 facilities, and other costs that are needed to run  
13 these programs; and

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15 (3) The costs associated with establishing key performance  
16 indicators or measures to evaluate program outcomes;  
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19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Public Safety  
20 is requested to cooperate with and provide whatever assistance  
21 and information to the Legislative Reference Bureau as may be  
22 requested; and

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24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislative Reference  
25 Bureau is requested to report its findings to the Legislature no  
26 later than twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular  
27 Session of 2010; and

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29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
30 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Director of the  
31 Legislative Reference Bureau and the Director of Public Safety.

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OFFERED BY: 

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