

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 30 2009

RE: H.C.R. No. 199

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa
President of the Senate
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2009
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Public Safety and Military Affairs, to which was referred H.C.R. No. 199 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO CONDUCT A PRIVATE PRISON PERFORMANCE AUDIT OF SAGUARO CORRECTIONAL CENTER,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to request the State Auditor to conduct a performance audit of the Saguaro Correctional Center in Eloy, Arizona, which includes information on the treatment and services provided to Hawaii inmates and the facilitation of family and community connections.

Testimony in support of this measure was submitted by two private organizations and six individuals. Written testimony presented to the Committee may be reviewed on the Legislature's website.

Your Committee finds that an audit of the Saguaro Correctional Center is an important step in ensuring that Hawaii inmates at the Center are receiving appropriate services, given the State's contract with Corrections Corporation of America (CCA) to operate the Arizona facility, and amidst allegations of mismanagement and mistreatment of prisoners by CCA and two deaths in the Center since August 2008.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Public Safety and Military Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose

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of H.C.R. No. 199, and recommends that it be referred to the
Committee on Ways and Means.

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

Will Espero

WILL ESPERO, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Fifth Legislature
State of Hawaii

Record of Votes
Committee on Public Safety and Military Affairs
PSM

Bill / Resolution No.:* HCR 199	Committee Referral: PSM, WAM	Date: 4-27-09		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
ESPERO, Will (C)	X			
BUNDA, Robert (VC)	X			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani				X
GABBARD, Mike				X
GALUTERIA, Brickwood	X			
KIDANI, Michelle N.	X			
HEMMINGS, Fred				X
TOTAL	4			3
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes