

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1053

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 20, 2009

RE: S.B. No. 212
S.D. 2

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2009
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Public Safety, to which was referred S.B. No. 212, S.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC SAFETY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to ensure the safe and fair treatment of inmates housed in mainland correctional facilities by requiring privately owned prisons or out-of-state detention facilities holding prisoners under a contract with the State to follow the state freedom of information laws.

The Community Alliance on Prisons, Drug Policy Forum, and two concerned individuals supported this bill. The Office of Information Practices supported the intent of this measure. The Office of the Governor and Department of Public Safety opposed this bill.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Public Safety that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 212, S.D. 2, and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.



Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Public Safety,



FAYE HANCHANO, Chair



