
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES.

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

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 353C, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
3 and to read as follows:

4 "§353C- Correctional facility and community correctional
5 center deaths; reporting. (a) The director shall report to the
6 senate president, speaker of the house of representatives, and
7 legislative committee chairs for public safety the death of:

8 (1) Correctional facility or community correctional center
9 employees who die on the grounds of a correctional
10 facility or community correctional center where Hawaii
11 inmates reside or who sustain an injury on the grounds
12 of a correctional facility or community correctional
13 center where Hawaii inmates reside that causes the
14 death of the employee; and

15 (2) Any Hawaii inmate who is incarcerated in a
16 correctional facility or community correctional
17 center,

1 within twenty-four hours of the death.

2 (b) The report in subsection (a) shall include the
3 following information:

4 (1) The name of the decedent;

5 (2) Whether the decedent is an inmate or employee;

6 (3) The location of the incident;

7 (4) The date and time of the death; and

8 (5) The cause of death;

9 provided that the director shall have the discretion to withhold
10 disclosure of the decedent's name pending notification of the
11 death to the next of kin or if the decedent's identity is
12 protected from disclosure by state or federal laws."

13 SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.

14 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Report Title:

Inmate and Correctional Facility Employee Deaths; Reporting Requirements

Description:

Requires the department of public safety to report to the legislature any inmate or correctional facility employee death within 24 hours. (SD1)