

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 2026
S.D. 2

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa
President of the Senate
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2010
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 2026, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PAROLE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to establish a parole service fee and a parole services special fund.

Specifically, this measure allows the Department of Public Safety to collect a \$60 parole service fee from an inmate who is paroled, provided certain conditions are met. Eighty per cent of the fee is to be deposited into the parole services special fund and twenty per cent is to be deposited into the crime victim compensation special fund. However, payment of court ordered restitution or a crime victim compensation fee would take priority over payment of the parole service fee.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Hawaii Paroling Authority. Comments in opposition were received from the Department of Budget and Finance, the Drug Policy Forum of Hawaii, the Community Alliance on Prisons, and one individual. Written comments may be reviewed on the Legislature's website.

Your Committee finds that the parole services fee will help defray the expenses of parole supervision while still providing support to victims of crime.

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Upon further consideration, your Committee amended this measure by:

- (1) Removing all references to payment of the parole service fee within forty-eight months immediately following an inmate's release on parole;
- (2) Adding a provision that makes payment of the fee from the inmate's account maintained by the Department of Public Safety an approved expense;
- (3) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2050, to promote further discussion; and
- (4) Making technical nonsubstantive amendments for the purpose of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2026, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2026, S.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Ways and Means,


DONNA MERCADO KIM, Chair



