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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PUBLIC SAFETY.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that in 2001, the federal
2 Bureau of Prisons opened a three hundred twenty-five thousand-
3 square-foot, \$63,000,000 detention center at 351 Elliot Street
4 on the island of Oahu. Constructed by Dick Pacific Construction
5 and located on the west side of the Honolulu international
6 airport, the Federal Detention Center has a capacity of six
7 hundred seventy beds on five levels of a seven-floor facility.
8 In addition, most of the beds can be converted to double bunks
9 to increase capacity.

10 The Honolulu Federal Detention Center has integrated state-
11 of-the-art surveillance and management technologies, allowing a
12 single worker to monitor a wing of sixty-four beds, and staff to
13 "quick freeze" individually packed meals up to forty-eight hours
14 in advance for refrigeration and later reheating and serving.

15 Furthermore, because of its location within urban Honolulu,
16 high visibility from the H-1 freeway, local roads nearby, and
17 air traffic landing and taking off within its vicinity, the
18 Honolulu Federal Detention Center was designed to meet all



1 federal correctional facility standards without looking like a
2 prison. It was also designed to accommodate a wide variety of
3 uses, including inmate cells, office areas, medical facilities,
4 recreational areas, storage rooms, food preparation areas,
5 laundry, mechanical rooms, security, and communications.

6 The entire center consists of two buildings:

7 (1) A twelve-story main tower with a two-story
8 administration base; and

9 (2) A single-story warehouse and receiving building.

10 The center also includes a one hundred eighty-two-stall
11 parking area fronting the main tower.

12 The purpose of this Act is to direct the department of
13 public safety and department of accounting and general services
14 to plan and design the construction and operation of a new
15 minimum-security facility that either includes or is located at
16 a site with appropriate access to courts, public transportation,
17 drug rehabilitation centers, transitional or reintegration
18 programs, and other support services, similar to the facilities
19 of the Honolulu Federal Detention Center, to manage the
20 continued growth of Hawaii's inmate population.

21 SECTION 2. The department of public safety and the
22 department of accounting and general services shall plan and



1 design the construction and operation of a new minimum-security
2 facility at the site of the existing Oahu community correctional
3 center, similar to the facilities of the Honolulu Federal
4 Detention Center. The department of public safety shall submit
5 a status report to the legislature no later than twenty days
6 before the convening of the 2012 regular session, setting forth
7 the results and recommendations of the plan, including:

- 8 (1) Transitional housing of inmates while construction of
9 the new facility takes place; and
- 10 (2) The cost of preparing an environmental impact
11 statement in accordance with chapter 343.

12 SECTION 3. The director of finance is authorized to issue
13 general obligation bonds in the sum of \$ or so much
14 thereof as may be necessary and the same sum or so much thereof
15 as may be necessary is appropriated for fiscal year 2011-2012
16 for the planning and design of a minimum-security correctional
17 facility at the site of the Oahu community correctional center.

18 SECTION 4. The appropriation made for the capital
19 improvement project authorized by this Act shall not lapse at
20 the end of the fiscal biennium for which the appropriation is
21 made; provided that all moneys from the appropriation
22 unencumbered as of June 30, 2014, shall lapse as of that date.



1 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
2 public safety for the purposes of this Act.

3 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2011.

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Description:

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