
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) Within forty-eight hours, the
6 director shall report to the governor, and the governor shall
7 report to the legislature, the death of any:

8 (1) Correctional facility or community correctional center
9 employee who dies 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) Hawaii inmate who is incarcerated in a correctional
16 facility or community correctional center.

17 (b) The report in subsection (a) shall include the
18 following information:



- 1 (1) The name of the decedent;
- 2 (2) Whether the decedent was an inmate or employee;
- 3 (3) The location of the death or injury leading to the
4 death;
- 5 (4) The date and time of the death; and
- 6 (5) The cause of death;
- 7 provided that when the official cause of death has been
8 determined, the director shall immediately report the official
9 cause of death to the governor, and the governor shall
10 immediately report the official cause of death to the
11 legislature.

12 (c) The director shall have the discretion to withhold
13 disclosure of the decedent's name pending notification of the
14 death to the next of kin or if the decedent's identity is
15 protected from disclosure by state or federal laws."

16 SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.

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



Report Title:

Correctional Facility Deaths; Reporting Requirements

Description:

Requires the director of public safety to report to the governor, and the governor to report to the legislature, any death of an inmate or correctional facility employee within forty-eight hours. Requires the director of public safety to immediately report the official cause of death of the inmate or correctional facility employee to the governor and the governor to immediately report the official cause of death to the legislature. (CD1)

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