

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 19 2013

RE: H.B. No. 1279
H.D. 1
S.D. 1

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim
President of the Senate
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
Regular Session of 2013
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, to which was referred H.B. No. 1279, H.D. 1, entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to appropriate matching funds to be expended by the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations for holistic treatment and support services related to the reintegration of offenders into the general population.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Public Safety, Community Alliance on Prisons, Hawaii Substance Abuse Coalition, American Civil Liberties Union of Hawaii, and six individuals.

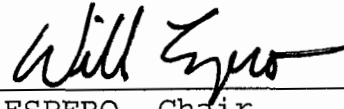
Your Committee finds that incarcerated individuals need programs that will help them to successfully transition and reintegrate into their communities after release. Your Committee further finds that there is a need to form public and private partnerships in addressing the high-risk needs of offenders. This measure promotes the goals of the Justice Reinvestment Initiative by better preparing incarcerated individuals for successful reentry into the community.



Your Committee has amended this measure by inserting an effective date of July 1, 2075, to encourage further discussion.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1279, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1279, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Public Safety,
Intergovernmental and Military
Affairs,



WILL ESPERO, Chair



