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TESTIMONY ON SENATE BILL (SB) 1183, Senate Draft (SD) 1
RELATING TO
INTAKE SERVICE CENTERS

by
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Senate Committee on Judiciary and Labor
Senator Clayton Hee, Chair
Senator Maile S.L. Shimabukuro, Vice Chair

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State Capitol, Conference Room 16

Chair Hee, Vice Chair Shimabukuro, and Members of the Committee:

The Department of Public Safety **supports** SB 1183, SD 1 Relating to the Intake Service Centers (ISC). In the 2012 legislative session there were three Acts that made amendments to Section 353-10, Hawaii Revised Statute. More specifically, Acts 139 and 141 amended section 353-10(b)(3). The pretrial risk assessment, which originally meant the bail report, was redefined as the internal pretrial risk assessment. The present bill provides clear language in identifying one of ISC's core responsibility in providing bail reports to the court.

SB 1183, SD 1 will also provide statutory authority to the courts to treat all information contained in a pretrial bail report as confidential. This measure will allow the courts to receive detailed information such as the defendant's medical, mental health and substance abuse history, to assist with pretrial release decision-making. This measure will also protect defendants from having their

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confidential information contained in these reports made public and expose them to potential identify theft.

The Department is recommending that this bill be **amended** by deleting Section (3)(A) as the term "pretrial assessment" used in this section could easily be confused with Section (3)(B). ISC's responsibility under Section (3)(A) is covered under new language under Section (8).

We ask for your support in passing SB 1183, SD 1 with the recommended amendment.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify.