

SCR 196

Measure Title:

URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY TO IMPLEMENT A FITNESS TRAINING REGIMEN FOR STATE SHERIFFS AND ADULT CORRECTIONS OFFICERS, MANDATE ALL SHERIFFS AND ADULT CORRECTIONS OFFICERS TO REGULARLY PERFORM IN ACCORDANCE WITH MINIMUM FITNESS STANDARDS DURING SERVICE IN PUBLIC FIELD DUTY, AND ANNUALLY TEST STATE SHERIFFS AND ADULT CORRECTIONS OFFICERS.

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TESTIMONY ON SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 196
CONCERNING IMPLEMENTATION OF A FITNESS TRAINING
REGIMEN FOR STATE SHERIFFS AND
ADULT CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS

By

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Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs
Senator Will Espero, Chair
Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Vice Chair

Thursday, March 28, 2013; 4:00 PM
State Capitol, Conference Room 224

Chair Espero, Vice Chair Baker, and Members of the Committee:

The Department of Public Safety **supports** Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 196, encouraging the implementation of a fitness training regimen for its uniform staff. We agree that a healthy and fit workforce substantially contributes to the Department's ability to provide mandated services and protect the public, in addition to promoting healthy lifestyles for staff.

This resolution aligns with the overall review we are conducting to improve recruitment, physical fitness, pre-service and in-service training, supervisory training, and leadership development for uniform staff.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this important matter and your continued support of the Department's goals.

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Testimony for PSM on Mar 28, 2013 16:00PM in Conference Room 224

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Lt. Michael Oakland	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Aloha Chair, Vice Chair and members of the committee: I am Lt Mike Oakland and I would like to say that I SUPPORT the concept in this resolution. To clarify, I feel that this is always a good idea, however, I know for the Sheriff side of the house we could prob do this through collective barganing which is why getting BU14 passed is so very important. One other issue is that as long as LE and Corrections is connected through one department we will ALWAYS have coordination issues as we are in different unions which constantly clouds things on both sides which is why I continue to be an advocate of breaking the department up into two and obsorbing the other LE entitites at the state level. Once again, I think this is possible at some point and IF we succeed we can even offer pay incentives for Physical Fitness, Education etc which is a bebefit to those that do more than the minumum like in other LE agencies accross the country through CLEA and POST. If there is a desire for me to elaborate please don't hessitate to contact me. Mahalo Nui Loa again and Aloha, Lt. Michael Oakland, Commander Airport Patrol Section, Sheriff Division Honolulu International Airport, Kalaeloa and Dillingham Airfields