

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 12 2013

RE: S.C.R. No. 115

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

Madam:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred
S.C.R. No. 115 entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE HAWAII PAROLING
AUTHORITY TO THOROUGHLY CONSIDER GRANTING PAROLE TO CLASS A,
CLASS B, AND CLASS C FELONS BEFORE THE EXPIRATION OF THEIR
MAXIMUM TERMS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to request the
Hawaii Paroling Authority to thoroughly consider granting parole
to individuals serving sentences for Class A, B, and C felonies
before the expiration of their maximum term.

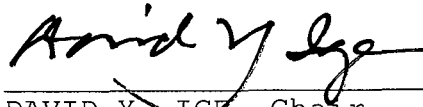
Your Committee received written comments in support of this
measure from Community Alliance on Prisons.

Your Committee finds that the recidivism rate for inmates who
serve their maximum term and are released without supervision is
significantly higher than the recidivism rate for inmates who are
placed on parole. Your Committee finds that the intent of this
measure is to reduce recidivism by affording inmates a supervised
transition, rather than simply being released from prison directly
into the community.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your
Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your
Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 115
and recommends its adoption.



Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Ways and Means,



DAVID Y. IGE, Chair



