

SB 2310

RELATING TO VICTIMS' RIGHTS

Requires the Department of Public Safety to give notice of the escape of a prisoner who is a domestic violence offender to each victim of the domestic violence and individuals protected by a restraining order against the escapee, immediately following the escape by the most reasonable and expedient means available.

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TESTIMONY ON SENATE BILL 2310
A BILL RELATING TO VICTIMS' RIGHT
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Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs
Senator Will Espero, Chair
Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Vice Chair

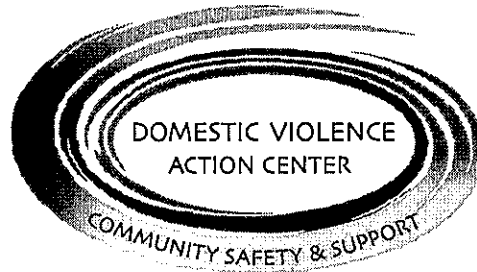
Senate Committee on Human Services
Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senator Josh Green, Vice Chair

Tuesday, January 28, 2014, 2:45 p.m.
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Chairs Espero and Chun Oakland, Vice Chairs Baker and Green, and
Members of the Committee:

The Department of Public Safety **supports the intent** of Senate Bill 2310, Relating to Victims' Rights. The Department already notifies all victims who have requested either through the City and County's Victim Witness Kokua Program or through the Department's Statewide Automated Victim Information and Notification (SAVIN) system of any releases, to include escapes.

We thank you for considering this measure and our opportunity to testify.



TO: Chair Will Espero
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Chair Suzanne Chun Oakland
Vice Chair Josh Green
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FR: Nanci Kreidman, M.A.
Chief Executive Officer

RE: SB 2310

Aloha! Please accept our gratitude for the introduction and hearing of this Bill to assist in community wide efforts focused on safety for families suffering the harm of abuse. We support this Measure.

It is not impossible to imagine that escapees from a correctional facility would return to a partner/former partner's residence. Any notice, or warning to the victim or others named on a protection order will be of assistance for them to seek safety.

It has been our experience that many inmates are incarcerated for crimes that are not domestic violence crimes, but there has been a history of abuse, and a victim that could be vulnerable. If the Department could include that information in an inmates file, so these victims might benefit from similar notice of escape.

Thank you for allowing us to weigh in and shall look forward to favorable action so discussion with your legislative colleagues can continue.

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