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# THE HONORABLE WILL ESPERO, CHAIR SENATE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND MILITARY AFFAIRS Twenty-seventh State Legislature Regular Session of 2014 State of Hawai'i

March 24, 2014

RE: S.C.R. 120; REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY TO ENTER INTO A PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT FOR CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES.

Chair Espero, Vice-Chair Baker and members of the Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, the Department of the Prosecuting Attorney of the City and County of Honolulu submits the following testimony in <u>strong support</u> of Senate Concurrent Resolution 120.

The Department greatly appreciates the Legislature's recognition that Hawai'i is in urgent need of a new correctional facility, and also appreciates the Legislature's willingness to provide their utmost support, and encouragement if needed. The sooner a new correctional facility is built, the sooner Hawai'i can keep all local offenders at in-state facilities, closer to their families, friends, support systems and programs that are sensitive to the needs of those who grew up in Hawai'i; this will assist us in guarding the safety and welfare of the community and of future generations.

Despite the foregoing, we are disappointed that the Administration has not taken more of a leadership role in this process, and is instead relying on the Legislature to keep things moving forward. We are disappointed to see that the Administration has yet to provide any clear direction or recommendations to the Legislature on this matter, as is clearly within their purview and function

As noted above, the Department is very grateful to the Legislature for doing whatever it takes to ensure the completion of this endeavor, and strongly believes that public-private partnership is the ideal solution. Rather than considering alternatives that would result in \$1 billion of expenditures for the State, public-private partnership could essentially provide the much-needed facility(s) at no cost to the State, both for construction and maintenance.

For all of the foregoing reasons, the Department of the Prosecuting Attorney of the City and County of Honolulu supports the passage of S.C.R. 120. Thank you for this opportunity to testify.



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## The Twenty-Seventh Legislature, State of Hawaii The Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs

### Testimony by Hawaii Government Employees Association

March 24, 2014

## S.C.R. 120/S.R. 63 – REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY TO ENTER INTO A PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT FOR CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES

The Hawaii Government Employees Association, AFSCME Local 152, AFL-CIO would like to offer comments to S.C.R. 120 and S.R. 63, which encourages the Department of Public Safety to enter into a public-private partnership agreement for the planning, design, construction and financing of renovated or new correctional facilities statewide.

While we understand the intent of the concurrent resolution, Section 353-16, Hawaii Revised Statues already permits the Governor to execute contracts with a private entity to construct or lease correctional facilities. The Legislature should closely scrutinize potential contractors' records and maintain strict oversight on the bidding and construction process. Further, we respectfully request the addition of language which would make it explicitly clear that once any new correctional facility is constructed, the State shall maintain the sole responsibility of its operations.

Thank you for the opportunity to offer comments on the above concurrent and senate resolutions.

Respectfully submitted.

Michele Kurihara-Klein Legislative Officer

CARRIE ANN SHIROTA, J.D. 1839 Wells Street Wailuku, Hawaii 96793 Phone: 808-269-3858

Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs Senator Wil Espero, Chair Senator Rosalyn Baker, Vice Chair Monday, March 24, 2014 Room 224 at 1:35pm

OPPOSITION: SCR120/SR63 REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY TO ENTER INTO A PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT FOR CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES

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

My name is Carrie Ann Shirota, and I am writing in strong opposition to SCR 120. I strongly oppose this measure for the following reasons:

- In 2010, Hawai'i's Executive, Legislative and Judicial branches committed to working with the Justice
  Center's nationally recognized criminal justice policy experts to advance Justice Reinvestment in
  Hawai'i. These national experts NEVER recommended building more correctional facilities, with
  public funding, or through public-private partnerships. In contrast, they provided fiscally-sound,
  data driven criminal justice policy recommendations to reduce the overall incarcerated population in
  order to break the cycle of recidivism and make our communities safer.
- On March 19, 2014, Public Safety Director Ted Sakai admitted at the Legislative Info Briefing that
  Hawai'is correctional population is not projected to grow over the next decade. While some
  correctional facilities are in need of repair and renovation, it is unconscionable to build more
  prisons when there are more cost effective means of reducing the incarcerated population. (By
  analogy, we do not tear down public schools simply because some renovations are needed, or the
  design is antiquated by "modern" standards).
- Under HRS sec. 353-16.37, PSD is required to engage in a community partnering process prior to building or expanding a prison/s in Hawai'i. A community hearing is required, as well as a community benefit and enhancement package. Despite pushing forward with the RFP, the State has not fulfilled this statutory requirement under HRS sec 353-16.37 by holding public community hearings on every island where new facilities are proposed. Instead, the State has held piecemeal "meetings" and "info sessions" over the past decade, with ever changing plans from erecting "temporary housing and program structures ("tents") to building a 843 bred prison on Maui. All the way wasting precious taxpayer dollars. On Maui alone, over thirteen million was spent on planning. That money would have been better spent on funding MEO's BEST Reintegration Program, and/or programs (i.e. education, substance abuse, anger management, therapy, etc.) within MCCC and the community to help men and women successfully reintegrate into the community.
- Our community is not naïve. We know that private prison operators are interested in not only building, but operating our jails and prisons since the greatest profit lays in filling beds to capacity. Corrections Corporation of America (CCA) and other private prison operators have dismal track records. Third-party studies comparing private v. public prisons confirm that private prisons have greater incidents of violence, and do not meet the promise of "saving" taxpayer dollars. See Private Prisons: The Public's Problem: A Quality Assessment of Arizona's Private Prisons, February 2012, American Friends Service Committee; Banking on Bondage: Private Prisons and Mass Incarceration, ACLU, February 2011; Too Good to be True: Private Prisons in America, The Sentencing Project, Cody Mason, January 2012.

While we should return our incarcerated population serving time on the "Mainland" home, I strongly disagree that building more prisons through public-private partnerships is the answer. Other states have successfully DOWNSIZED their incarcerated populations by investing in alternatives to incarceration. We can do the same – but it requires political will, and a "Smart on Crime" philosophical shift to criminal justice.

Sincerely,

Caxie Ann Shixota

To: Representative Will Espero, Chair

Rosalyn Baker, Vice Chair

Members of Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs (PSM)

Hrg: Monday, March 24, 2014 @ 1:35pm, Conference Room 224

Re: Testimony in STRONG OPPOSITION of SCR120/SR63

By: Valerie Chang

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I thank you for this opportunity in STRONG OPPOSITION to SCR120/SR63, which requests the Department of Public Safety to enter into a public-private partnership agreement for correctional facilities.

My name is Valerie Chang. I am very concerned about this issue as a citizen and taxpayer. This PSM Committee is well aware of the many problems faced by Hawaii our corrections system, due to our unique and isolated location.

SCR120/SR63 contain no details about the scope or financial implications of this partnership. Corrections is "big business," with a LOT of money to be made by operating jails, prisons and correctional facilities. Already there are lawsuits from abuses and harm that some of our Hawaii prisoners have suffered when they were shipped to the mainland, and held at prisons that are operated by private businesses. The latest news in the paper show that prisoners are being denied the ability to see their loved ones due to shortages at the local correctional facilities, which shows that some oversight of the correctional facilities is needed.

There is no information in these bills as to what criteria will be used to determine how the partnerships will be made, whether building more prisons and other correctional facilities is the desired or correct use of our limited resources as opposed to more progressive interventions like Hawaii's "Drug Court," and other measures which help get appropriate treatment for offenders rather than simply punishment and incarceration. <a href="http://www.treatment-centers.net/directory/hawaii/honolulu/state-of-hawaii-judiciary.html">http://www.treatment-centers.net/directory/hawaii/honolulu/state-of-hawaii-judiciary.html</a> and <a href="http://www.drugstrategies.org/Treatment/Hawaii/Honolulu/State-of-Hawaii-Judiciary-3204">http://www.drugstrategies.org/Treatment/Hawaii/Honolulu/State-of-Hawaii-Judiciary-3204</a>.

Thanks for the opportunity to testify about this issue that is so vital to the health of Hawaii and our nation. This issue is very important to our state and our Hawaii COPD Coalition is very glad that this committee has taken a leadership role in addressing this important matter. Please defer this bill, SCR120/SR63, and hold it permanently in committee. Thank you.

To: Senator Will Espero, Chair Senator Rosalyn Baker, Vice Chair Members of Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs (PSM)

Monday, March 24, 2014 @ 1:35pm, Conference Room 224

Re: Testimony in STRONG OPPOSITION of SCR120/SR63

Renwick Uncle Joe Tassill 41-209 Ilauhole street #55 Waimanalo HI 96795

I thank you for this opportunity to testify in STRONG OPPOSITION to SCR120/SR63, which requests the Department of Public Safety to enter into a public-private partnership to develop new correctional facilities in Hawaii.

My name is Renwick Uncle Joe Tassill., I am very concerned about this issue as a taxpayer. Your Committee is very well aware of the many problems with Hawaii snd our corrections system, due to many things including our unique and isolated location.

Corrections is "big business," with lots of money to be made by operating privatize prisons and correctional facilities.

SCR120/SR63 has no details about the scope of financial implications with this partnerships.

There are many lawsuits from abuses and harm that some of our Hawaii prisoners have suffered when they were shipped to out of state facilities on the mainland, and held at prisons that are operated by private businesses. The latest news is that prisoners are being denied the ability to see their loved ones due to shortages at the local correctional facilities, which shows that some oversight of the correctional facilities is needed. Then there is the financial hardship of family members not able to visit due to the high cost of air fare and lodging.

Then there is no information in these bills as to what criteria will be used to determine the need for more facilities whether building more prisons and other correctional facilities is the desired or correct use of our limited resources as opposed to more progressive interventions like Hawaii's cultural practice of hooponopono with in a Puuhonua setting which may have more advantages and benefits to all involved.

This could help get more appropriate treatment for offenders rather than simply punishment and incarceration.

Building more prisons is not the answer. The answer to address the problem is to build a Puuhonua. To re-establish the cultural practice of hooponopono

Thank you for the opportunity to testify about this so important an issue that is so vital to the safety and welfare of Hawaii. Please defer this bill, SCR120/SR63, and hold it permanently in committee. Lets spend a little more time and discussion on this important an issue.

Mahalo Nui

Renwick Uncle Joe Tassill

#### COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND MILITARY AFFAIRS

RM 224, March 24, 2014 1;35 pm Senator Will Espero, Chair

Chair Espero and members of the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs,

Being in opposition to more prisons, I favor community service with intense counseling for offenders of non-violent crimes. Perhaps we should also pay them a stipend as they perform community service. Let us look to rehabilitation rather than incarceration. Studies have shown that incarceration does little for rehabilitation and in fact, leads to repeat offenses.

Thank you for this opportunity to express my views on this issue.

Charles K. Torigoe

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#### **SCR120**

Submitted on: 3/24/2014

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Richard Rath	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Amazing...legislation to bring in corporations, whose prevailing and legally only interest is in maximizing shareholder profit, give them the right to buy Hawaiian land from the illicit state to incarcerate a population that is disproportionately comprised of Hawaiians. Go imperialism! Also note that while every HI government player strongly supports the public private partnership that would bring in the likes of Geo and CCC to Hawai'i, every witness, meaning every single one of dozens who testified from the community, strongly and unambiguously opposed this on a wide variety of ethical and logical grounds. Obviously, the state is not acting in the interest of the people on this one but in the interest of corporate developers since this is no doubt boilerplate ALEC legislation funded by the corporations that want in to HI. Please vote against any further legislation to bring in public private partnerships that cannot by definition serve the interest of the public, and have in fact thoroughly abused what trust public servants have misguidedly and corruptly put in them elsewhere. Keep CCC and Geo out of HI and instead explore alternatives to bring down the bloated 900% rise in the prison population in the past 15 years.

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#### **SCR120**

Submitted on: 3/24/2014

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	Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
1	Al Lardizabal	Laborers Union Local 368	Support	No

Comments: Dear Chair Espero; Vice Chair Baker and members of the Committee: Our correctional facilities do need upgrading; the Prison in Kalii should be relocated and the area economically developed as part of the gate way to Honolulu. In entering into a public-private partnship we request that the partnership ensure that it complies with the prevailing wage law during any construction whether the land is privately owned or not. Thank you for ther opportunity to submit this late testimoy.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Laura Gandolfo	Individual	Oppose	No

#### Comments:

#### **SR63**

Submitted on: 3/24/2014

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Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Present at Hearing	
Laura Gandolfo	Individual	Oppose	No	1

#### Comments:

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#### **SR63**

Submitted on: 3/22/2014

Testimony for PSM on Mar 24, 2014 13:35PM in Conference Room 224

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Avi Okin	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Prisons should not be a profiting industry as they have become. It is bad enough that we need prisons in the first place.

#### SCR120

Submitted on: 3/22/2014

Testimony for PSM on Mar 24, 2014 13:35PM in Conference Room 224

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Avi Okin	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: The PLDC should not be building prisons, period.

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#### **SCR120**

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
релпу ѕ	Individual	Oppose	No

#### Comments:

#### **SR63**

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penny s	Individual	Oppose	No

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Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Present at Hearing
deb mader	Individual	Oppose	No

#### Comments:

#### **SR63**

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
deb mader	Individual	Oppose	No

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#### **SCR120**

Submitted on: 3/23/2014

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Dorothy Binder	Individual	Oppose	No

#### Comments:

This bill is totally unacceptable! the WORDING of the bill will prevent us from passing laws controlling: Herbicide overspray, cane burning, humane treatment of food animals, pesticides and GMOs. It will NOT protect farming.

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#### **SCR120**

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Caroline Kong	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Mini PLDC attempt - The (Koch Bros.) Prison-Industrial Complex Comes to Hawai'i... NO NO NO NO NO Mahalo, Caroline Kong

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Mary Marvin Porter	Individual	Oppose	No No

Comments: Our prison system is not working. It does not prepare them when released to survive as non criminals. Instead it seems to create hardened criminals. Also after prison no one will hire them and food stamps are not allowed to them. Private prisons for profit is not the answer. It has been tried on the mainland USA and is incentive for and resulting in creating more hardened criminals. This system needs to be totally changed What we need is the Pu'uhonua as an Alternative to Prison, places where people can heal, where we can restore offenders, victims, families, and our communities to wholeness, and where those incarcerated are taught skills and prepared for jobs to earn a living upon release.

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Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Present at Hearing
Patricia Blair	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Build Pu'uhonua, not prisons!

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Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Present at Hearing
sharon	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Enough - NO more PLDC type moves - we already told you -NO! Thank You.

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Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Present at Hearing
Sara Steiner	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Dear Legislators - We do not need any more prisons in Hawaii. If we as a state keep criminalizing more actions, they we need to pay the price. Don't just invite the private prison industry in with all their money, acting all friendly. Until you realize that the prisons are full of non-violent offenders which cost the state 40K a year each one of them, and get with the program and release them and realize the savings, and plenty room left for those rapist and murderers.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Thomas Travis	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I strongly oppose this measure. The voters of the State of Hawaii have stated clearly and repeatedly that Private Public partnerships should not bypass established and traditional public input and safeguards. This principle is especially important when applied to prisons. The incentives of such an arrangement are to increase prison populations, corruption of the judiciary, and little focus on rehabilitation. Prisons should be governmental. Additionally, the State needs to address the problem with the severe overrepresentation of indigenous Hawaiians in the prison population. I ask that you change the thrust of this resolution to allow creation of a Pu uhonua as was envisioned in Act 117. It is time to start reducing the prison population, not beginning a prison business in Hawaii.

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#### **SCR120**

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing	
Janet Ashkenazy	Individual	Oppose	No	

Comments: Establishing prisons in conjunction with private developers is a terrible idea because private development is not for the benefit of the people, but rather for the developer who has one motive in mind and one motive only: PROFIT, WHEN PROFIT IS INVOLVED IN THE PRISON SYSTEM, THE OPERATORS OF THESE PRISONS ARE HIGHLY MOTIVATED TO KEEP THEIR JAILS FULL BECAUSE BIG MONEY IS BEING MADE AT THE EXPENSE OF THE TAX PAYERS. IN SHORT, THESE PRIVATE PRISONS COST MORE IN THE LONG TERM BECAUSE OF THE PROFIT MOTIVE. IN FACT, IT IS A KNOWN FACT THAT OPERATORS OF PRIVATE PRISONS INFLUENCE JUDGES TO ORDER LONG SENTENCES AND THEN EXTEND THESE SENTENCES TO MAKE BIG PROFITS FOR THE PRISON OPERATORS, SUCH A PRISON SYSTEM FAILS TO DELIVER THE JUSTICE REQUIRED BY OUR CONSTITUTION FOR THE PRISON POPULATION AS WELL AS THE PUBLIC AT LARGE. PRISONS MUST BE A FUNCTION OF GOVERNMENT AND NOT OPERATED BY SOMEONE WITH THE MOTIVATION OF MAKING A PROFIT AS A RESULT OF THE ILLS OF SOCIETY. JUSTICE WILL NOT BE SERVED, AS A RESULT, WE CAN EXPECT MASSIVE RECIDIVISM NO MATTER WHAT BENEFITS ARE PROMISED TO PRISON INMATES WHO DESERVE TO SERVE ONLY THEIR REASONABLE SENTENCES AND THEN BE RELEASED WHICH CERTAINLY WILL NOT BE THE CASE OF PRISON PRIVATIZATION. THIS WILL NOT BE IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST.

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#### **SCR120**

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Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Present at Hearing
Shannon Rudolph	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Strongly Oppose.

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Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Present at Hearing	
Judie Hoeppner	Individual	Oppose	No	

Comments: I am adamantly opposed to more prisons. We don't need the industrial prison complex in Hawaii. Better to rehabilitate and we have those resources. Please support Ohana Ho'opakele and Pu'uhonua as positive alternatives to prison. Oppose SCR120! Mahalo!

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
janice palma-glenie	Individual	Oppose.	No

Comments: Aloha, this is one of the worst ideas i've heard for hawai'i in a long time -- and that's saying something, bringing corporate prisons to hawai'i will further degrade our impossible correctional system, alternatively, ways to treat and rehabilitate the many prisoners who've been involved in victimless crimes or first-time lesser crimes is what our legislators should be looking to do. not a happy thought having our public representatives having their campaigns financed by prison corporations, auwe, you can do better, say "no" to privately-owned, dead-end facilities that will further destroy the fabric of hawaiian culture and the rest of us. mahalo.

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#### **SCR120**

Submitted on: 3/22/2014

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
ANTHONY TONY AUSTIN	Individual	Oppose	No

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Lezlie Kiaha	Individual	Oppose	No

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Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Present at Hearing	
Lori Nakamura-Higa	Individual	Oppose	No	

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Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Present at Hearing	
claudia rice	Individual	Oppose	No	

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing	
alicia morrier	Individual	Oppose	No	

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Doug Phillips	Individual	Oppose	No

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Joan Lander	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Please support locally established pu'uhonua or other community based correctional facilities. No outside prisons-for-profit.

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Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Present at Hearing
Puanani Rogers	Ho`okipa Network - Kauai	Oppose	No

Comments: I strongly oppose this measure. I have relatives that are in prisons on the US Continent that are not being well cared for. Please bring them home and in this case, please stop privatizing our prisons and instead, do something to improve the conditions of our prisons.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
james crowe	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: I strongly oppose SCR120. Do not invite a for profit business into our state. As a business their main goal is to make money for their investors. This will be better for investors if less money is spent on our Hawaii inmates services. Check their actual record in other states. Please take the long range view as youlook at responding to this need for our Hawaii people by reinvesting money and time into our Hawaii justice system. I note that the Public Safety Committee has already begun to do this. Please look to this committee for direction.

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