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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A TASK FORCE TO MAKE
RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A CORRECTIONAL
TRAINING AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OFFICE.

1 WHEREAS, the Department of Public Safety has over two
2 thousand five hundred authorized positions; and

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4 WHEREAS, untrained or poorly trained staff can lead to an
5 unsafe workplace, low morale, and an inefficient workforce; and

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7 WHEREAS, due to budgetary constraints, the Department of
8 Public Safety lacks a standardized training program for current
9 employees and a coordinated effort to sustain a skilled and
10 experienced workforce; and

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12 WHEREAS, properly trained employees can help to properly
13 manage inmates and reduce recidivism, which can help the State
14 to reduce correctional costs; now, therefore,

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16 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-ninth
17 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2017, the
18 House of Representatives concurring, that the Director of Public
19 Safety is requested to establish a task force to make
20 recommendations for the implementation of a correctional
21 training and professional development office, which would
22 provide standardized training and related professional
23 development to corrections employees; and

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25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the recommendations include:

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27 (1) The organizational structure for the correctional
28 training and professional development office;

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30 (2) The number of employees of the office;

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- 1 (3) The annual estimated budget of the office;
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- 3 (4) Certifications provided by the office to state
- 4 employees; and
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- 6 (5) Courses offered by the office; and
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8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature requests that
9 the task force consist of seven members as follows:

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- 11 (1) The Director of Public Safety, or the Director's
- 12 designee, who shall serve as the chairperson of the
- 13 task force;
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- 15 (2) The State Director of United Public Workers AFSCME
- 16 Local 646 AFL-CIO, or the State Director's designee;
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- 18 (3) An adult corrections officer appointed by the Director
- 19 of Public Safety;
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- 21 (4) The head of the Department of Public Safety Basic
- 22 Corrections Training Program, or the head's designee;
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- 24 (5) The Chairperson of the Board of Trustees of the Office
- 25 of Hawaiian Affairs, or the Chairperson's designee;
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- 27 (6) A faculty member with expertise in criminology or
- 28 penology appointed by the President of the University
- 29 of Hawaii; and
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- 31 (7) A former prison inmate appointed by the Director of
- 32 Public Safety; and
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34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature requests that
35 all members of the task force be appointed no later than thirty
36 days after the adjournment sine die Regular Session of 2017, and
37 that the task force convene its initial meeting within thirty
38 days after appointment of the last member; and

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40 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Department of Public Safety is
41 requested to provide administrative support to the task force;
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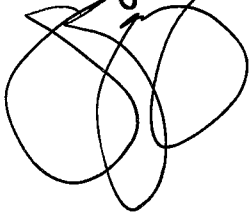
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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force is requested to
 2 submit a report of its findings and recommendations, including
 3 proposed legislation, to the Legislature no later than twenty
 4 days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 2018; and

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 6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
 7 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Director of Public
 8 Safety, the State Director of United Public Workers AFSCME Local
 9 646 AFL-CIO, Chairperson of the Board of Trustees of the Office
 10 of Hawaiian Affairs, and the President of the University of
 11 Hawaii System

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