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TESTIMONY ON SENATE BILL 996, SENATE DRAFT 1
RELATING TO EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES

by

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Senate Committee on Judiciary and Labor
Senator Gilbert S.C. Keith-Agaran, Chair
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Senate Committee on Ways and Means
Senator Jill N. Tokuda, Chair
Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Vice Chair

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Chairs Keith-Agaran and Tokuda, Vice Chairs Rhoads and Dela Cruz, and Members of the Committee:

The Department of Public Safety (PSD) strongly **supports** Senate Bill (SB) 996, Senate Draft (SD) 1. This measure would provide PSD the opportunity to improve the pre-employment hiring practices for corrections programs and facilities by applying the same hiring standards utilized by the Department in the hiring of State law enforcement officers. This would include the ability to apply lie detector and psychological tests during the pre-employment screening process.

Thank you for the opportunity to present this testimony.