

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HAWAII STATE AND CONTRACTED CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1	SECTIO	N 1. Chapter 353C, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is	
2	amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated		
3	and to read	as follows:	
4	" <u>§353C</u>	- Correctional facility and community correctional	
5	center deat	hs; reporting. (a) Within forty-eight hours, the	
6	director sh	all report to the governor, and the governor shall	
7	report to t	he legislature, the death of any:	
8	<u>(1)</u> <u>C</u>	orrectional facility or community correctional center	
9	<u>e</u>	mployee who dies on the grounds of a correctional	
10	<u>f</u>	acility or community correctional center where Hawaii	
11	<u>i</u>	nmates reside or who sustains an injury on the	
12	<u>g</u>	rounds of a correctional facility or community	
13	<u>c</u>	orrectional center where Hawaii inmates reside that	
14	<u>c</u>	auses the death of the employee; and	
15	<u>(2)</u> <u>H</u>	awaii inmate who is incarcerated in a state or	
16	C	ontracted correctional facility.	

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1	(b)	The report in subsection (a) shall include the
2	following	information:
3	(1)	The name of the decedent;
4	(2)	The gender and age of the decedent;
5	(3)	Whether the decedent was an inmate or an employee;
6	(4)	The location of the death or injury leading to the
7		<pre>death;</pre>
8	(5)	The date and time of the death;
9	<u>(6)</u>	The cause of death; and
10	(7)	A report of the clinical mortality review conducted in
11		response to the death, including correctional actions
12		to be taken;
13	provided (that when the official cause of death has been
14	determined	d, the director shall immediately report the official
15	cause of death to the governor, and the governor shall	
16	immediately report the official cause of death to the	
17	legislature.	
18	(c)	The director shall have the discretion to withhold
19	disclosure	e of the decedent's name pending notification of the
20	death to	the next of kin or if the decedent's identity is
21	protected	from disclosure by state or federal laws."

1 SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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INTRODUCED BY:

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Report Title:

Correctional Facilities Deaths; Reporting Requirements

Description:

Requires the Director of Public Safety, in the event of any death of an inmate who is in a state or contracted correctional facility or correctional facility or community correctional center employee, to provide a report to the Governor and Legislature with certain information regarding the death. Authorizes Director to withhold disclosure of decedent's name under specific conditions.

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