
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A WORKING GROUP TO STUDY THE
FEASIBILITY OF BUILDING AN ADDITIONAL WORK FURLOUGH CENTER
ON THE PRESENT SITE OF THE OAHU COMMUNITY CORRECTIONAL
CENTER ONCE THE OAHU COMMUNITY CORRECTIONAL CENTER HAS BEEN
RELOCATED TO HALAWA.

1 WHEREAS, the Laumaka Work Furlough Center is a part of the
2 Oahu Community Correctional Center (OCCC) in urban Honolulu, and
3 houses inmates who are either actively seeking employment or
4 working in the community, as a means to ease their transition
5 upon release; and

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7 WHEREAS, the Laumaka Work Furlough Center is located at 647
8 Laumaka Street, about one block away from OCCC; and

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10 WHEREAS, the Laumaka Work Furlough Center has space for
11 ninety-six inmates; and

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13 WHEREAS, twice that number of inmates are eligible for the
14 work furlough program; and

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16 WHEREAS, plans for the new OCCC on the site of the existing
17 animal quarantine center in Halawa Valley call for the Laumaka
18 Work Furlough Center to remain in Kalihi, with a separate
19 structure planned as part of the new OCCC to accommodate the
20 remaining number of eligible work furlough inmates; and

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22 WHEREAS, the Laumaka Work Furlough Center's location in
23 Kalihi affords easy access to public transportation and work
24 places for inmates in the work furlough program, and is
25 therefore preferable to the more remote Halawa site; and

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27 WHEREAS, with the relocation of OCCC to Halawa, the
28 existing site will be available to be repurposed and could serve



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1 as an adjunct to the neighboring Laumaka Work Furlough Center;
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4 WHEREAS, there are many examples of ex-offender programs
5 contributing to the vitality of their communities, including the
6 Delancey Street Foundation in San Francisco, California,
7 reflecting the positive influence these programs can have on
8 inmates transitioning back to larger communities and the
9 communities themselves; now, therefore,
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11 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
12 Thirtieth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of
13 2020, the Senate concurring, that a working group is requested
14 to be established to study the feasibility of building an
15 additional work furlough center on the present site of the Oahu
16 Community Correctional Center once it has been relocated to
17 Halawa; and
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19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the working group is requested
20 to consist of the following members:
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- 22 (1) A member appointed by the Director of Public Safety;
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- 24 (2) A member of the Honolulu City Council appointed by the
25 Council Chair;
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- 27 (3) A representative of the Hawaii Correctional System
28 Oversight Commission designated by the Chairperson of
29 the Commission;
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- 31 (4) A member appointed by the Kalihi-Palama Neighborhood
32 Board; and
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- 34 (5) A representative of the Kalihi Business Association;
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36 with the chairperson of the working group to be selected by the
37 working group; and
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39 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the working group is requested
40 to submit a report of its findings and recommendations,
41 including any proposed legislation, to the Legislature no later



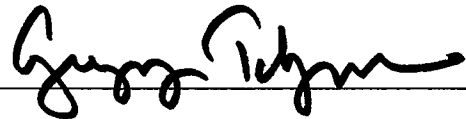
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1 than twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular Session
2 of 2021; and

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4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the working group dissolve on
5 June 30, 2021; and

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7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
8 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Governor, Director
9 of Public Safety, Chair of the Honolulu City Council,
10 Chairperson of the Hawaii Correctional System Oversight
11 Commission, Chair of the Kalihi-Palama Neighborhood Board, and
12 Co-Presidents of the Kalihi Business Association.

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OFFERED BY: 

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