

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1325-22

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 24 , 2022

RE: S.B. No. 2771
S.D. 1
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-First State Legislature
Regular Session of 2022
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred S.B. No. 2771, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO RISK AND NEEDS ASSESSMENT FOR FEMALE OFFENDERS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Require the Department of Public Safety Intake Service Centers to conduct internal pretrial female risk and needs assessments on adult female offenders to measure the female offender's risk of flight, criminal conduct, or harm to the community, subject to certain conditions; and
- (2) Require the pretrial female risk and needs assessment tool to consider factors important to evaluate a female offender's risk of reoffending.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Office of Hawaiian Affairs, Hawaii Substance Abuse Coalition, Women's Prison Project, and one individual. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Public Safety.

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Your Committee finds that a female offender's pathways to crime and risk factors for recidivism are often different than those of male offenders and specialized tools are needed to adequately identify these pathways and risks. This measure supports the use of a pretrial gender-responsive risk and needs assessment tool, which is critical in evaluating a female offender's risk of recidivism and other specialized treatment needs.

Your Committee respectfully requests your Committee on Finance, should it choose to deliberate on this measure, to consider appropriating \$40,000 for a quantitative study on candidate female risk and needs assessment tools.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2771, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Judiciary &
Hawaiian Affairs,



MARK M. NAKASHIMA, Chair



Record of Votes of the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs

Bill/Resolution No.: <i>SB 2771, SDI, HDI</i>	Committee Referral: <i>CMV, JHA, FIN</i>	Date: <i>3-22-22</i>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
JHA Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. NAKASHIMA, Mark M. (C)	✓			
2. MATAYOSHI, Scot Z. (VC)	✓			
3. ICHIYAMA, Linda	✓			
4. KOBAYASHI, Dale T.				✓
5. LoPRESTI, Matthew S.	✓			
6. LOWEN, Nicole E.	✓			
7. McKELVEY, Angus L.K.	✓			
8. NAKAMURA, Nadine K.	✓			
9. TAKUMI, Roy M.	✓			
10. TOKIOKA, James Kunane	✓			
11. WARD, Gene	✓			
TOTAL (11)	<i>10</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>1</i>
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <small>committee acronym(s)</small>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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