

STAND. COM. REP. NO. **3091**

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.B. No. 2483
H.D. 1
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-Second State Legislature
Regular Session of 2024
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Public Safety and Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, to which was referred H.B. No. 2483, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD CHECKS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to authorize the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation to search criminal histories and fingerprint records of current and prospective volunteers and purchase of service contracted and subcontracted service providers and their employees who are directly involved in providing correctional programs, treatment, and services to persons committed to a correctional facility or places them in close proximity to persons committed when providing services on behalf of the Department or the correctional facility.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation.

Your Committee finds that the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation requires that background checks be performed on all current and prospective volunteers and contracted and subcontracted service providers and their employees who are directly involved in providing correctional programs, treatment,



and services to persons committed to a correctional facility. Your Committee further finds that the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation currently does not have the statutory authority to conduct criminal history record checks on volunteers and contracted and subcontracted service providers. This measure will ensure that correctional programs and services are staffed with qualified individuals and volunteers.

Your Committee has amended this measure by making a technical, nonsubstantive amendment for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Public Safety and Intergovernmental and Military Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2483, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2483, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Judiciary.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Public Safety and Intergovernmental and Military Affairs,



GLENN WAKAI, Chair



