
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PUBLIC SAFETY.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that annual sustained
2 funding for offender reentry services is critical to the public
3 safety of our communities because the success of transitioning
4 offenders reduces the cycle of recidivism. Other jurisdictions,
5 such as Pima County, Arizona, have implemented successful
6 transition programs and reentry services that connect released
7 offenders with treatment, housing, transportation, employment,
8 and other services provided by community-based organizations.
9 The legislature finds that access to reentry services such as
10 community-based support services, benefits determination
11 assistance, employment assistance, temporary clean and sober
12 housing, mental health treatment, substance abuse treatment, and
13 transitional housing is pivotal in determining the success or
14 failure of reentry and reintegration into the community.

15 The purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds to the
16 department of corrections and rehabilitation for reentry
17 services to connect offenders with community-based services.



1 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
2 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$4,000,000 or so much
3 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2025-2026 and the
4 same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year
5 2026-2027 for reentry services to connect offenders with
6 community-based services.

7 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department
8 of corrections and rehabilitation for the purposes of this Act.

9 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2025.
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H.B. NO. 433

Report Title:

Reentry Services; Community-based Services; Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation; Appropriation

Description:

Appropriates funds to the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation for reentry services to connect offenders with community-based services. .

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