

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

790

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 14 , 2025

RE: H.B. No. 1376
H.D. 2

Honorable Nadine K. Nakamura
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2025
State of Hawaii

Madame:

Your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred H.B. No. 1376, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to require the Director of Corrections and Rehabilitation to:

- (1) Beginning July 1, 2028, reduce the number of committed felons incarcerated at private, out-of-state correctional institutions by twenty-five percent;
- (2) Beginning July 1, 2030, reduce the number of committed felons incarcerated at private, out-of-state correctional institutions by fifty percent; and
- (3) Submit annual reports to the Legislature on its actions and progress to meet the requirements of this measure.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Office of the Public Defender; ACLU of Hawai'i; Imua Alliance; Community Alliance on Prisons; Hawai'i Friends of Restorative Justice; and three individuals. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation.

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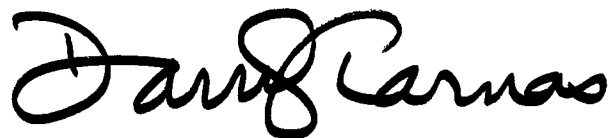
Your Committee finds that the gradual reduction of reliance on private, out-of-state prisons will increase accountability, provide greater control over correctional practices, and keep inmates close their families and communities, which will improve their post-release outcomes.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Clarifying that the term "private, out-of-state correctional institutions" includes correctional institutions outside the State operated for profit; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

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 H.B. No. 1376, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1376, H.D. 2.

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



DAVID A. TARNAS, Chair



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Bill/Resolution No.: HB 1376 HD1		Committee Referral: PBC, JHA, FIN		Date: 02/13/2025	
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.					
The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" 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. TARNAS, David A. (C)		✓			
2. POEPOE, Mahina (VC)		✓			
3. BELATTI, Della Au		✓			
4. COCHRAN, Elle					✓
5. HASHEM, Mark J.		✓			
6. KAHALOA, Kirstin		✓			
7. PERRUSO, Amy A.		✓			
8. TAKAYAMA, Gregg		✓			
9. TODD, Chris		✓			
10. GARCIA, Diamond				✓	
11. SHIMIZU, Garner M.			✓		
TOTAL (11)		8	1	1	2/10
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)					
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: _____					
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