JOSH GREEN, M.D. GOVERNOR KE KIA'ĀINA



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EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS KE KE'ENA O KE KIA'ĀINA

July 1, 2025

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi President of the Senate, and Members of the Senate Thirty-Third State Legislature State Capitol, Room 409 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813 The Honorable Nadine Nakamura Speaker, and Members of the House of Representatives Thirty-Third State Legislature State Capitol, Room 431 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Aloha President Kouchi, Speaker Nakamura, and Members of the Legislature:

This is to inform you that on July 1, 2025, the following bill was signed into law:

S.B. NO. 224, S.D. 1, H.D. 1 RELATING TO IDENTIFICATION. ACT 263

Mahalo,

oh Green M.D.

Josh Green, M.D. Governor, State of Hawaiʻi

Approved by the Governor

on JUL 1 2025

THE SENATE THIRTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE, 2025 STATE OF HAWAII

ACT 263 S.B. NO. ²²⁴ H.D. 1

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO IDENTIFICATION.

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

SECTION 1. Section 353H-32, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
amended by amending subsections (a) through (c) to read as
follows:

4 "(a) The department, in collaboration with the department of transportation and the examiner of drivers of each county, 5 6 shall inform inmates that departmental assistance is available 7 to obtain civil identification cards, in accordance with part 8 XVI of chapter 286, and upon request shall assist inmates [who 9 have one year or less prior to the inmate's parole or release 10 date remaining on their prison sentence] in obtaining a civil 11 identification card[-] as soon as practicable but at least one 12 year before the inmate's parole or release date; provided that 13 the department shall assist inmates in obtaining a civil 14 identification card even if the department fails to meet the 15 deadline pursuant to this subsection. 16 The department, in collaboration with appropriate (b)

17 federal, state, and county agencies, shall also inform inmates

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1	of the availability of departmental assistance to obtain the
2	inmate's birth certificate, social security card, and any other
3	relevant identification documents necessary for the inmate to
4	transition into the workforce, access social services, secure or
5	verify applicable medicaid eligibility, and secure housing, and
6	upon request shall assist the inmates [who have one year or less
7	prior to the inmate's parole or release date.] in obtaining the
8	identification documents as soon as practicable but at least one
9	year before the inmate's parole or release date; provided that
10	the department shall assist inmates in obtaining the
11	identification documents even if the department fails to meet
12	the deadline pursuant to this subsection.
13	(c) For an inmate released to work furlough, extended
14	furlough, or community placement programs, the department [of
15	corrections and rehabilitation] shall initiate the process of
16	assisting the inmate pursuant to subsections (a) and (b) [$rac{at}{at}$
17	least ninety days prior to the inmate being released] by
18	providing the forms necessary for the inmate to obtain civil
19	identification cards and other identification documents to the
20	inmate $[-]$ as soon as practicable but at least ninety days before
21	the inmate's release date; provided that the department shall

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1	provide the forms necessary for the inmate to obtain civil
2	identification cards and other identification documents even if
3	the department fails to meet the deadline pursuant to this
4	subsection."
5	SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
6	and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
7	SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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APPROVED this 1st day of July , 2025

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAI'I

THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF HAWAI'I

Date: April 16, 2025 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

We hereby certify that the foregoing Bill this day passed Final Reading in the Senate

of the Thirty-Third Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, Regular Session of 2025.

President of the Senate

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Clerk of the Senate

SB No. 224, SD 1, HD 1

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE

STATE OF HAWAII

Date: April 3, 2025 Honolulu, Hawaii

We hereby certify that the above-referenced Bill on this day passed Third Reading in the House of Representatives of the Thirty-Third Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2025.

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Nadine K. Nakamura Speaker House of Representatives

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Brian L. Takeshita Chief Clerk House of Representatives