

Honolulu, Hawaii FEB 06 , 2025

RE: H.B. No. 1263 H.D. 1

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

Madame:

Your Committee on Public Safety, to which was referred H.B. No. 1263 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CORRECTIONS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Establish a moratorium on the issuance of a request for proposals and construction of any new or expanded correctional facility from July 1, 2025, to June 30, 2028, including the planned construction of a new facility to replace the existing Oahu Community Correctional Center; and
- (2) Establish a Criminal Justice Diversion Task Force.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Office of the Public Defender; Community Alliance on Prisons; Hawai'i Friends of Restorative Justice; Reimagining Public Safety in Hawai'i Coalition; Green Party of Hawai'i; Imua Alliance; 'Ekolu Mea Nui; Hawai'i Alliance for Progressive Action; and numerous individuals. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation; Department of Accounting and General Services; Department of the Prosecuting Attorney of the City and County of

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Honolulu; and one individual. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission.

Your Committee finds that there needs to be a stronger focus on rehabilitation and re-entry services to assist persons who are currently incarcerated.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Deleting the three-year moratorium;
- (2) Deleting the Criminal Justice Diversion Task Force;
- (3) Requiring the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation to establish a Rehabilitation and Re-Entry Services Task Force;
- (4) Changing its effective date to July 1, 3000, to encourage further discussion; and
- (5) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

Your Committee respectfully requests your Committee on Finance, should it deliberate on this measure, to consider an appropriation of \$100,000.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Public Safety that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1263, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1263, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

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Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Public Safety,

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DELLA AU BELATTI, Chair

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Public Safety

	ee Referral:	FIN	2/5/	2075
 The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure. 				
The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD) Hold Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit) 				
PBS Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. BELATTI, Della Au (C)				
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2. IWAMOTO, Kim Coco (VC)				
3. HASHEM, Mark J.				
4. ICHIYAMA, Linda				
5. LAMOSAO, Rachele F.				
J. LAMOSAO, Kacher F.				
6. MORIKAWA, Dee				
7. POEPOE, Mahina				
8. WOODSON, Justin H.				
9. SHIMIZU, Garner M.				
10. SOUZA, Kanani				
TOTAL (10)	6			3
The recommendation is: 🗹 Adopted 🗆 Not Adopted				
If joint referral, did not support recommendation.				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: King Chair's or designee's signature:				
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