### A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PRISON REFORM.

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

1	SECTION 1. The Hawaii Revised Statutes is amended by
2	adding a new chapter in title 32 to be appropriately designated
3	and to read as follows:
4	"CHAPTER
5	WOMEN'S CORRECTIONS IMPLEMENTATION COMMISSION
6	§ -1 Women's corrections implementation commission;
7	established; powers and duties. (a) There is established
8	within the judiciary, for administrative purposes, a commission
9	to be known as the women's corrections implementation
10	commission. The commission shall:
11	(1) Develop and implement an evidence-based, gender-
12	responsive plan to divert non-violent women offenders,
13	especially those with minor children, from the
14	criminal justice system;
15	(2) Ensure that the recommendations made in the final
16	report of the House Concurrent Resolution No. 85

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1		(2016) task force on prison reform to the legislature
2		during the regular session of 2019 are implemented;
3	(3)	Review existing local resources and programs focused
4		on women in the justice system for their effectiveness
5		and capacity for expansion; and
6	(4)	Consider model programs that include residential, in-
7		person and community-based rehabilitation programs,
8		supportive and subsidized housing, restorative
9		justice, and educational programs.
10	(b)	The women's corrections implementation commission
11	shall col	laborate with the judiciary and the county prosecutors
12	of Hawaii	, Honolulu, Kauai, and Maui to determine how to most
13	effective	ly develop and implement the evidence-based, gender-
14	responsiv	e plan required by subsection (a)(1).
15	\$	-2 Women's corrections implementation commission;
16	membershi	p. (a) The women's corrections implementation
17	commissio	n shall consist of the following members, who shall all
18	be women:	
19	(1)	The chief justice, or the chief justice's designee;
20	(2)	The director of public safety, or the director's
21		designee;

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1	(3)	A social worker who assists in the rehabilitation and
2		attainment of housing for female inmates, who shall be
3		appointed by the director of public safety;
4	(4)	The prosecuting attorney from a county with a
5		population of seven hundred fifty thousand or greater,
6		or the prosecuting attorney's designee;
7	(5)	The leader of a private foundation that assists women
8		in rehabilitation after release from prison, or the
9		leader's designee;
10	(6)	A former prison inmate appointed by the director of
11		public safety; and
12	(7)	A community-based advocate appointed by the director
13		of public safety.
14	(b)	The members shall not receive compensation for their
15	services	but shall receive reimbursement for expenses, including
16	travel ex	penses, that are necessary for the performance of their
17	duties.	
18	\$	-3 Administrative support. The judiciary shall
19	provide a	dministrative support to the women's corrections
20	implement	ation commission."

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1	SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
2	revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so
3	much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2022-2023 to
4	establish the women's corrections implementation commission.
5	The sum appropriated shall be expended by the judiciary fo
6	the purposes of this Act.
7	SECTION 3. It is not the intent of this Act to jeopardize
8	the receipt of any federal aid. If any provision of this Act,
9	or the application thereof to any person or circumstance, is
10	found to be in conflict with federal requirements that are a
11	prescribed condition for the allocation of federal funds to the
12	State, the provision shall be deemed void; provided that the
13	voided provision shall not affect other provisions or
14	applications of the Act that can be given effect without the
15	voided provision or application, and to this end the provisions
16	of this Act are severable.
17	SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 3000.
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#### Report Title:

Criminal Justice; Commission; Department of Public Safety; Judiciary; Women's Corrections Implementation Commission; Appropriation

#### Description:

Establishes the women's corrections implementation commission in the judiciary to ensure implementation of the recommendations from the final report of the House Concurrent Resolution No. 85 (2016) task force, to develop and implement an evidence-based, gender-responsive plan to divert non-violent women offenders, especially those with minor children, from the criminal justice system. Requires the commission to consider model programs including residential, in-person and community-based rehabilitation programs, supportive and subsidized housing, restorative justice, and educational programs. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)

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