

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.R. No. 18

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2025
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Public Safety and Military Affairs and Transportation and Culture and the Arts, to which was referred S.R. No. 18 entitled:

"SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION TO COLLABORATE WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO USE INMATE WORK FURLOUGH PROGRAMS FOR STATE ROADWAY AND HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to request the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation to collaborate with the Department of Transportation to use inmate work furlough programs for state roadway and highway maintenance.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, Department of Transportation, Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission, and one individual.

Your Committees find that inmate work furlough programs provide meaningful opportunities for incarcerated individuals to learn trade skills and gain experience that will assist them in their transition back into society by facilitating their ability to find employment upon release. Currently, the Department of Transportation is the largest employer of inmate labor relating to state roadway and highway maintenance. This resolution requests the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation to collaborate



with the Department of Transportation to provide additional inmate workforce opportunities for the purpose of enhancing and maintaining state roadways and highways. Your Committees further find that this request supports both the incarcerated population and the general public by continuing the use of inmate work furlough programs to build up incarcerated individuals' job prospects for post-prison life and by supplying necessary labor to maintain the public thoroughfares that erode from daily use.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Public Safety and Military Affairs and Transportation and Culture and the Arts that are attached to this report, your Committees concur with the intent and purpose of S.R. No. 18 and recommend its adoption.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committees on Public Safety and Military Affairs and Transportation and Culture and the Arts,



CHRIS LEE, Chair



BRANDON J.C. ELEFANTE, Chair



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<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
ELEFANTE, Brandon J.C. (C)	✓			
WAKAI, Glenn (VC)	✓			
FUKUNAGA, Carol	✓			
RHOADS, Karl	✓	✓		
DECORTE, Samantha	✓			
TOTAL	4	0	0	0
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
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LEE, Chris (C)	✓			
INOUYE, Lorraine R. (VC)		✓		
ELEFANTE, Brandon J.C.	✓			
KANUHA, Dru Mamo	✓			
DECORTE, Samantha	✓			
TOTAL	4	1		

Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted

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