

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 1148
S.D. 2

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa
President of the Senate
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2009
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Judiciary and Government Operations, to
which was referred S.B. No. 1148, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE COMPREHENSIVE OFFENDER
REENTRY SYSTEM,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to clarify various provisions
of the comprehensive offender reentry system, including the
requirement of written reentry plans.

This measure also:

- (1) Continues the quarterly rotation system for Hawaii inmates in out-of-state prisons and establishes a limit on the maximum number of Hawaii inmates housed in out-of-state prisons, which shall be fulfilled by January 1, 2010;
- (2) Requires Department of Public Safety to promote research regarding children with incarcerated parents;
- (3) Establishes a Reentry Commission under the Department of Public Safety, effective on January 1, 2010;
- (4) Sunsets the Legislative Oversight Committee established to oversee the Department of Public Safety on July 1, 2009; and



- (5) Specifies that by December 31, 2010, the maximum number of Hawaii inmates who are housed in out-of-state prisons shall not exceed 2,000.

Your Committee finds that a comprehensive offender reentry system lowers the State's cost of incarcerating an offender and decreases the offender's rate of recidivism upon their release. Your Committee also finds that requiring a comprehensive offender reentry plan be detailed in writing increases the likelihood of success for the offender to take a meaningful role in society upon release.

Your Committee has amended this measure by making technical, nonsubstantive amendments.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary and Government Operations that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 1148, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 1148, S.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Judiciary and
Government Operations,



BRIAN T. TANIGUCHI, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Fifth Legislature
State of Hawaii

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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
SB 1148, SD1	PSM, JGO	2/27/09		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: flex-start;"> <div style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312</div> <div style="text-align: center;"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311</div> <div style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310</div> <div style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313</div> </div>				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
TANIGUCHI, Brian T. (C)	✓			
TAKAMINE, Dwight Y. (VC)	✓			
BUNDA, Robert				✓
GABBARD, Mike	✓			
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.				✓
SLOM, Sam	✓			
TOTAL	4	0	0	2
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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