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TESTIMONY ON SENATE BILL (SB) 1183, SENATE DRAFT (SD) 2 RELATING TO INTAKE SERVICE CENTERS Ted Sakai, Director Department of Public Safety

House Committee on Public Safety Representative Henry J.C. Aquino, Chair Representative Kaniela Ing, Vice Chair

Thursday, March 21, 2013, 10:00 AM State Capitol, Conference Room 309

Chair Aquino, Vice Chair Ing and Members of the Committee:

The Department of Public Safety **supports** SB 1183, SD 2 Relating to the Intake Service Centers (ISC). In the 2012 legislative session there were three Acts that made amendments to Section 353-10, Hawaii Revised Statutes. More specifically, Acts 139 and 141 amended Section 353-10(b)(3). The pretrial risk assessment, which originally meant the bail report, was redefined as the internal pretrial risk assessment. The present bill provides clear language in identifying one of ISC's core responsibility in providing bail reports to the court.

SB 1183, SD 2 will also provide statutory authority to the courts to treat all information contained in a pretrial bail report as confidential. This measure will allow the courts to receive detailed information such as the defendant's medical, mental health and substance abuse history, to assist with pretrial release decision-making. This measure will also protect defendants from having their confidential information contained in these reports made public and expose them to potential identify theft.

We ask for your support in passing SB 1183, SD 2 with the recommended amendment. Thank you for this opportunity to testify.