SB 205

RELATING TO CORRECTIONAL HEALTH CARE.

Requires the State to implement certain cost-savings programs and technologies to eliminate and recover correctional health care overpayments and ensure medicaid is only billed for eligible inpatient hospital and professional services. NEIL ABERCROMBIE GOVERNOR



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TESTIMONY ON SENATE BILL 205 A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CORRECTIONAL HEALTH CARE By Ted Sakai, Interim Director Department of Public Safety

Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs Senator Will Espero, Chair Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Vice Chair

> Thursday, January 31, 2013, 3:00 p.m. State Capitol, Room 224

Chair Espero, Vice Chair Baker, and Members of the Committee:

The Department of Public Safety (PSD) supports the intent of this bill, but the present collaboration between PSD and the Department of Human Services (DHS) already addresses many of the cost savings processes identified in this bill.

Since 1999, PSD and DHS have developed, regularly updated, and implemented a claims adjudication process utilizing the Medicaid reimbursement fee schedule and its payment detection and overpayment prevention systems to provide accurate, timely payments to all PSD community outpatient and hospital providers.

PSD and DHS are presently working to implement new Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) rules, which when implemented later this year, will provide PSD patients access to additional Medicaid eligible services.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this bill.