

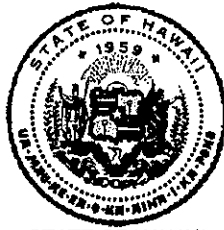
# **SB 564**

## **RELATING TO CORRECTIONS**

Extends the reentry commission expiration date to December 1, 2019.

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TESTIMONY ON SENATE BILL 564  
RELATING TO CORRECTIONS

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

Tuesday, February 3, 2015, 1:15 PM  
State Capitol, Conference Room 229

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

Department of Public Safety (PSD) **supports** Senate Bill 564 which proposes to extend the the existence of the Reentry Commission from December 1, 2015 to December 1, 2019.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this important bill.

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## COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL & MILITARY AFFAIRS

Sen. Will Espero, Chair

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Tuesday, February 3, 2015

1:15 p.m.

Room 229

### SUPPORT for SB 564 - EXTENDING THE REENTRY COMMISSION

Aloha Chair Espero, Vice Chair Baker and Members of the Committee!

My name is Kat Brady and I am a Community Justice Advocate. I am also the Coordinator of Community Alliance on Prisons, a community initiative promoting smart justice policies for almost two decades. This testimony is respectfully offered on behalf of the 5,600 Hawai'i individuals living behind bars and the thousands of people on probation and parole. We are always mindful that more than 1,600 of Hawai'i individuals are serving their sentences abroad, thousands of miles away from their loved ones, their homes and, for the disproportionate number of incarcerated Kanaka Maoli, far, far from their ancestral lands.

SB 564 extends the Reentry Commission expiration date to December 1, 2019.

Community Alliance on Prisons supports this measure.

Hawai'i needs to do more to help people successfully transition from incarceration to the community. This should be embedded in "care and custody".

Mahalo for this opportunity to testify.

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SUPPORT SB 564, Relating to Corrections

Dear Chair Espero, Vice Chair Baker and Committee Members:

I Support SB564.

The commission has much more work to accomplish. They also need the freedom to meet more often to accomplish their mission.

I believe the results of their findings would greatly benefit the legislators in formulating/compiling the various information before making their decisions because of the research and study they would incorporate in their findings.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit my testimony.

Aloha,  
e. ileina funakoshi