

Senate Resolution 45

The Department of Public Safety (PSD) was appropriated a total of 24.0 Positions and \$3,362,759 by Act 106, SLH 2012 for the Implementation of Justice Reinvestment Policies. The funds were for the following:

Act 106, SLH 2012		
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REINVESTMENT*		
Pre-Trial Assessments (PSD 410- ISC)	2.00	\$100,000
PSD Research & Planning (PSD 900)	3.00	\$221,000
PSD REENTRY OFFICE	6.00	\$278,000
PSD and Community-Based Programs for Pre-trial, Inmates, & Parolees (PSD 900)		\$1,000,000
HPA Parole Board Members (PSD 611-HPA/D)	2.00	\$123,872
HPA Parole Officers (PSD 612-HPA/SC)	4.00	\$164,728
CVCC Restitution Accountability (PSD 613-CVCC)	5.00	\$476,300
PSD Total:	22.00	\$2,363,900
JUD Probation Drug Treatment/CBT & Staff Training	2.00	\$125,000
Counties:		
Hawaii Victim Assistance		\$303,177
Maui Victim Assistance		\$134,512
Kauai Victim Assistance		\$70,920
Oahu Victim Assistance		\$365,250
Counties:	0.00	\$873,859
TOTAL:	24.00	\$3,362,759
Reinvested from PSD 808 Non-State Facility:		\$ (3,362,759)
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Department of Public Safety (PSD)

\$1,000,000 for Community Based Programs was used by the Department to procure various services:

\$400,000	-ReEntry Housing & Referral Services for Adult Males & Females in Kona
\$150,000	-Substance Abuse & Family Reunification for ReEntry Housing & Referral Services for Adult Male & Female in Kona
\$300,000	-Pre-Employment/Job Readiness Training (Services for Expansion of Furlough beds at OCCC Module 20)
\$48,000	-Family Therapy & Employment Development Services for the expansion of Laumaka Bridge
<u>\$75,000</u>	-Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (CBT) for HCCC, HCF, MCCC & WCCC
\$1,003,000	

\$1,368,900 funded the establishment and filling of 22.0 PSD Positions.

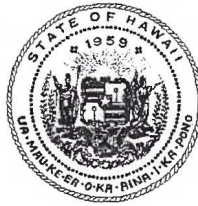
Judiciary

\$125,000 was transferred to the Judiciary

Counties

\$873,859 was given to the Counties

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TESTIMONY ON SENATE RESOLUTION 45

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY TO
PROVIDE AN ITEMIZED ACCOUNTING OF THE \$1,000,000 THAT THE JUSTICE
REINVESTMENT INITIATIVE SET ASIDE IN 2012 FOR COMMUNITY-BASED
PROGRAMS AND THE \$3,400,000 SET ASIDE IN 2013 FOR EXPANDING TREATMENT
PROGRAMS AND VICTIMS' SERVICES AND INITIATING PLANS TO ESTABLISH A
RESEARCH AND PLANNING OFFICE

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Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs
Senator Will Espero, Chair

Senate Committee on Judiciary and Labor
Senator Gilbert S.C. Keith-Agaran, Chair

Tuesday, March 31, 2015; 9:30 AM
State Capitol, Conference Room 016

Good morning Chair Espero, Chair Keith-Agaran and Members of the Joint Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, and Judiciary and Labor. Thank you for providing the Crime Victim Compensation Commission ("Commission") with the opportunity to testify before you today. The Commission supports the Senate Resolution 45 which requires the Department of Public Safety to provide an accounting of Justice Reinvestment funds set aside for community-based programs, treatment programs, victims' services, and the establishment of a research and planning office.

The Commission was established in 1967 to mitigate the suffering and financial impact experienced by victims of violent crime by providing compensation to pay un-reimbursed crime-related expenses. Many victims of violent crime could not afford to pay their medical bills, receive needed mental health or rehabilitative services, or bury a loved one if compensation were not available. In 2003, the Commission initiated the Restitution Recovery Project to serve as a clearinghouse for restitution payments from inmates and parolees.

The Commission served as a member of the Justice Reinvestment (JRI) Working Group that was appointed to develop the policy framework that became the basis of the JRI Act. Hawaii's JRI was landmark legislation that is not only designed to increase public safety while reducing spending on corrections, but also created the first comprehensive victim services component. The JRI victim service component has since become a national model. According to the Council of State Governments, Hawaii's JRI efforts represent the highest number of policy inclusions for crime victims to date in any state's justice reinvestment project, and Hawaii is the only state with a comprehensive crime victim component as part of its JRI.

The JRI victim service component made victim's needs and offender accountability key parts of the JRI Act. To meet victim needs and increase offender accountability, the JRI Act increased the amount of restitution to be paid by inmates and created 22 victim services positions. To assist victims with collection of restitution and coordination of safety planning and notification of offender release, fifteen positions for county-based victim advocates were created; two positions were created to be establish a Corrections Based Victim Service Program in PSD (Hawaii is the only state without a this type of program); and five positions were created to establish within the Commission a data-driven restitution accountability program that monitors restitution collections and identifies problems and issues in restitution collection.

In 2012, the Commission was appointed and continues to serve as a member of the JRI Implementation Working Group and as the lead co-chair of two JRI Implementation Working Group subcommittees – the JRI Restitution Workgroup and the JRI Victim Services Workgroup.

While progress has been made in the implementation of JRI, areas of concern relating to victim services include the defunding of the 15 county-based victim service positions and the failure to establish a Corrections Based Victim Service Program in PSD. Other areas of concern include the availability of evidence-based programming for offenders and the need to establish a research and planning office in PSD to ensure a data-driven approach to corrections management.

Senate Resolution 45 will provide stakeholders and policymakers with key information about the implementation of JRI and will help ensure that improved corrections management strategies and evidence-based offender programming result in reduced corrections spending, and that the realized savings is reinvested in strategies that reduce crime, increase offender accountability and ensure victim and community safety.

Thank you for providing the Commission with the opportunity to testify in support of Senate Resolution 45.

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Comments: I'm in SUPPORT of SR 45 and support CAP position on this matter. This is a simple, straightforward resolution: WHERE DID THE MONEY GO ??? This administration said they would be accountable and transparent. As taxpayers and concerned citizens we should know about how and where our tax dollars are used.

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