
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PUBLIC SAFETY.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. According to The Pew Center on the States, one
2 in thirty-two adults in Hawaii is under correctional control.
3 The legislature recognized that the financial, social, and
4 economic costs of incarceration without adequate rehabilitation
5 are staggering, and thus enacted Act 8, Special Session Laws of
6 Hawaii 2007 (Act 8), also known as the Community Safety Act of
7 2007 and codified as chapter 353H, Hawaii Revised Statutes.
8 Act 8 established a comprehensive offender reentry system under
9 the purview of the department of public safety. One key
10 component of Act 8 required the department of public safety to
11 submit annual reports relating to the implementation, progress,
12 and effectiveness of the various program components specified in
13 Act 8.

14 While the department's annual report listed program
15 activities and statistics, it did not include information on
16 program outcomes. The legislature finds that use of performance
17 indicators is an effective way to monitor and evaluate the



1 progress of the comprehensive reentry system and to reflect the
2 philosophical change to the department's approach to
3 rehabilitation and reentry mandated by Act 8. Additionally, the
4 legislature requires specific data to accurately assess programs
5 and to continue to improve public policy.

6 The purpose of this Act is to:

- 7 (1) Direct the department of public safety to establish
8 key performance indicators or measures to be
9 incorporated in reports that evaluate the outcomes of
10 program components as required in Act 8; and
11 (2) Require the department of public safety to submit
12 specific program participation data semi-annually to
13 the legislature.

14 SECTION 2. Chapter 353H, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
15 amended by adding two new sections to be appropriately
16 designated and to read as follows:

17 "§353H- Performance indicator reporting. (a) The
18 department of public safety shall develop performance measures
19 that accurately reflect progress toward specific goals,
20 including:

- 21 (1) Improving recidivism rates;



1 (2) Decreasing prisoner assaults on correctional staff;

2 (3) Reducing correctional staff turnover; and

3 (4) Improving departmental efficiencies in staffing,
4 budgeting, and data management and analysis.

5 (b) The department shall develop key performance
6 indicators, which shall include:

7 (1) The number of individuals enrolled in and who have
8 completed a general education diploma or competency-
9 based diploma;

10 (2) The number of individuals for whom a reentry plan is
11 filed and the number of individuals who exit jail or
12 prison with a reentry plan;

13 (3) Drug test failure rates of inmates while incarcerated
14 and while on parole;

15 (4) The number of inmates currently enrolled in and who
16 have completed drug treatment programs provided by the
17 department of public safety;

18 (5) The number of inmates currently enrolled in and who
19 have completed restorative circles;

20 (6) The number of parolees who have applied for a
21 reduction of their minimum sentence, the number of



1 applications approved and denied, and, when
2 applicable, the reasons for the denial of a parolee's
3 application;

4 (7) The number of parole revocation hearings and the
5 results of parole revocation hearings that, when
6 applicable, explain why the parolees' revocation was
7 denied;

8 (8) The cost of incarceration per inmate, per day, per
9 facility;

10 (9) Offender demographics, including gender, race, age,
11 and type of offense;

12 (10) The number of individuals who received vocational
13 training or rehabilitation services and type of
14 vocational training or rehabilitation services
15 received;

16 (11) The total number of inmate intakes, by month,
17 including the number of intakes each month within the
18 past year and past five years;

19 (12) The total number of inmates released, by month;

20 (13) The number of inmates with substance abuse problems,
21 including the type of dependence or addiction, and the



number of inmates with no reported substance abuse
problems;

(14) The median length of incarceration, excluding inmates
who have received life sentences or been paroled;

(15) The prison population forecast for the next decade;

(16) The total number of pretrial detainees and the number
of pretrial detainees admitted each month by type of
crime, bail amount, risk assessed, gender, race, and
age;

(17) The number of pretrial detainees released or
discharged each month and the reason for the release
or discharge by type of crime, bail amount, risk
assessed, gender, race, and age;

(18) The average length of stay for pretrial detainees by
reason for release or discharge, type of crime, bail
amount, risk assessed, gender, race, and age;

(19) The number of pretrial detainees held on cash bail by
type of crime, bail amount, risk assessed, gender,
race, and age;



1 (20) The average amount of time for completing and
2 verifying pretrial risk assessment by type of crime,
3 bail amount, risk assessed, gender, race, and age; and

4 (21) The number of pretrial detainees readmitted by reason
5 for release, reason for readmission, type of crime,
6 bail amount, risk assessed, gender, race, and age.

7 §353H- Semi-annual reporting requirements. (a) For
8 each program established pursuant to this chapter, the
9 department shall submit a report to the legislature no later
10 than the first day of June and first day of December each year,
11 beginning with the period ending on November 30, 2018. Each
12 report shall reference key performance indicators that track
13 rehabilitation and reentry efforts for individuals being
14 prepared to exit the correctional system. The report shall also
15 include:

16 (1) A complete list of programs offered;

17 (2) The length of each program;

18 (3) Each program's success rate, including the percentage
19 of participant completion in the previous two years;

20 (4) A description of participant criteria assessed by the
21 program for admittance;



1 (5) The number of available positions with each program;

2 (6) The number of potential participants on waiting lists;

3 (7) The number of participants who do not complete the
4 program;

5 (8) A summary of reasons why participants do not complete
6 a program; and

7 (9) A complete list of programs that are no longer offered
8 and explanations for termination of the programs.

9 (b) The department shall also post the reports
10 electronically on the department's internet website in a timely
11 manner."

12 SECTION 3. Section 353G-13, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
13 amended by amending subsection (c) to read as follows:

14 "(c) The department of public safety, in conjunction with
15 the department of health, shall report on [~~an annual~~] a semi-
16 annual basis to the legislature and to the governor, its
17 findings concerning the need for and implementation of the
18 various provisions of this chapter. The report shall include
19 information collected under subsection (a) and a synopsis of
20 information or data necessary to determine the impact, utility,



1 and cost-benefits of the provisions of this chapter. The report
2 shall also include:

- 3 (1) A complete list of programs offered;
- 4 (2) The length of each program;
- 5 (3) Each program's success rate, including the percentage
6 of participant completion in the previous two years;
- 7 (4) A description of participant criteria assessed by the
8 program for admittance;
- 9 (5) The number of available positions with each program;
- 10 (6) The number of potential participants on waiting lists;
- 11 (7) The number of participants who do not complete the
12 program;
- 13 (8) A summary of common reasons why participants do not
14 complete a program; and
- 15 (9) A complete list of programs no longer offered with
16 explanations for termination of the programs."

17 SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
18 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

19 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.



Report Title:

Inmate Rehabilitation; Reentry System; Reporting Requirements

Description:

Requires DPS to establish performance indicators. Requires semi-annual reports of the established performance indicators, criminal offender treatment programs, and programs established pursuant to the Community Safety Act. (SD1)

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