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## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that evidence-based
- 2 research and data collection are vital to verifying and
- 3 formulating best practices for state correctional institutions.
- 4 Previously, the department of public safety and the social
- 5 science research institute at the University of Hawaii at Manoa
- 6 had an ongoing, mutually-beneficial relationship whereby
- 7 researchers from the institute collected and analyzed data for
- 8 the department of public safety for many years. This working
- 9 relationship recently terminated, and funding is needed to re-
- 10 contract with the institute for evidence-based research and data
- 11 collection.
- 12 The purpose of this Act is to provide funding to the
- 13 department of public safety to contract with the social science
- 14 research institute at the University of Hawaii at Manoa for
- 15 needed evidence-based research and data collection for the
- 16 department.



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- 2 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$
- 3 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2019-2020 to
- 4 the department of public safety for the purpose of contracting
- 5 with the social science research institute of the University of
- 6 Hawaii at Manoa to research and collect data on behalf of the
- 7 department of public safety.
- 8 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
- 9 public safety for the purposes of this Act.
- 10 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2019.

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INTRODUCED BY:

# S.B. NO. 1537

#### Report Title:

Department of Public Safety; University of Hawaii; Social Science Research Institute; Data Collection; Appropriation

### Description:

Appropriates funds to the department of public safety to contract with the social science research institute of the University of Hawaii at Manoa for evidence-based research and to collect data on behalf of the department of public safety.

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