
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO OFFENDER REENTRY.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that offenders exiting
2 correctional facilities are at risk of becoming homeless but are
3 not eligible for many services afforded to the homeless because
4 the offenders are not considered "chronically homeless" for
5 purposes of the housing first programs implemented pursuant to
6 section 346-378, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

7 The purpose of this Act is to create a new program called
8 "project reset", which will provide comprehensive programs to
9 assist inmates through the process of reentry, rehabilitation,
10 and seeking employment and housing.

11 SECTION 2. There is established a project reset program,
12 to be administered by the governor's coordinator on homelessness
13 and to be administratively placed within the department of human
14 services. The purpose of the project reset program shall be to
15 oversee the development and implementation of comprehensive
16 post-release housing programs to assist offenders who are
17 transitioning back into the community. The program shall assist



1 offenders in securing post-release housing, including
2 transitional housing and permanent housing, as necessary, to
3 support offenders' reentry, rehabilitation, and employment
4 prospects.

5 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
6 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much
7 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2022-2023 for the
8 establishment, implementation, and administration of the project
9 reset program established under this Act.

10 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
11 human services for the purposes of this Act.

12 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.



Report Title:

DHS; Prisoner Rehabilitation; Homelessness; Housing;
Appropriation

Description:

Establishes and appropriates funds for a program named Project Reset to help inmates secure post-release housing, in support of reentry, rehabilitation, and employment prospects. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD1)

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