
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO INCARCERATION.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that once released from
2 jails and prisons, individuals having arrest and conviction
3 records face many barriers to success, including housing
4 restrictions, workplace restrictions, and informal restrictions.
5 Further, the problems associated with reentry and the high rate
6 of recidivism among the formerly incarcerated population
7 necessitate programs to divert individuals from pretrial
8 detention and effectively assist the transition of formerly
9 incarcerated individuals from jails and prisons to the
10 community. As noted in the December 2018 "Final Report of the
11 House Concurrent Resolution 85 Task Force on Prison Reform to
12 the Hawaii Legislature", "[e]ffective programs are essential for
13 a successful rehabilitative system."

14 The legislature further finds that an individual's stay in
15 a jail or prison costs the public between \$200 and \$400 per day,
16 depending on the level of security measures required. These



1 costs may be dramatically reduced through the implementation of
2 reentry and reintegration programs.

3 Accordingly, the purpose of this Act is to reduce
4 recidivism rates in the State and increase productivity in
5 affected communities by appropriating moneys for the development
6 and maintenance of diversion, reentry, and rehabilitation
7 programs within the State.

8 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
9 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so
10 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2022-2023 for
11 the development and maintenance of diversion, reentry, and
12 rehabilitation services and programs by non-profit organizations
13 within the State, as they relate to offenders while they are in
14 the department of public safety's custody and control.

15 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
16 public safety for the purposes of this Act; provided that the
17 department of public safety may distribute the moneys
18 appropriated through grants; provided further that these
19 distributions shall not be subject to chapter 42F, Hawaii
20 Revised Statutes.



1 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
2 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so
3 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2022-2023 for
4 the development and maintenance of diversion, reentry, and
5 rehabilitation services and programs by non-profit organizations
6 within the State, as they relate to offenders falling under the
7 jurisdiction of the judiciary.

8 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the judiciary for
9 the purposes of this Act; provided that the judiciary may
10 distribute the moneys appropriated through grants; provided
11 further that these distributions shall not be subject to chapter
12 42F, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

13 SECTION 4. There is appropriated out of the general
14 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so
15 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2022-2023 for
16 the development and maintenance of diversion, reentry, and
17 rehabilitation services and programs by non-profit organizations
18 within the State, as they relate to offenders who fall under the
19 jurisdiction of the Hawaii paroling authority.

20 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the Hawaii
21 paroling authority for the purposes of this Act; provided that



1 the Hawaii paroling authority may distribute the moneys
2 appropriated through grants; provided further that these
3 distributions shall not be subject to chapter 42F, Hawaii
4 Revised Statutes.

5 SECTION 5. The appropriations made pursuant to sections 2,
6 3, and 4 of this Act shall not lapse at the end of the fiscal
7 year for which the appropriations are made; provided that all
8 moneys from the appropriations unencumbered as of June 30, 2024,
9 shall lapse as of that date.

10 SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 3000.

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Report Title:

Diversion, Reentry, and Rehabilitation; Services and Programs;
DPS; Judiciary; Hawaii Paroling Authority; Appropriation

Description:

Appropriates moneys for the development and maintenance of
diversion, reentry, and rehabilitation services and programs by
non-profit organizations in the State. Effective 7/1/3000.
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