

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2112

Honolulu, Hawaii

JAN 31 2024

RE: S.B. No. 2307

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President of the Senate  
Thirty-Second State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2024  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Public Safety and Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, to which was referred S.B. No. 2307 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO IDENTIFICATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to:

- (1) Require the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, in collaboration with various agencies and upon request of the inmates, to assist inmates in obtaining the inmates' civil identification card, birth certificate, social security card, and other relevant identification necessary for successful reentry into society, as soon as practicable; and
- (2) Require the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation to initiate the process of obtaining identifying documents for inmates released to work furloughs, extended furlough, or community placement programs by providing the forms necessary for the inmate to obtain civil identification cards and other identifying documents to the inmates as soon as practicable.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, Office of the Prosecuting Attorney of the County of Hawaii, and one individual.



Your Committee finds that individuals transitioning from incarceration often encounter obstacles while trying to obtain necessary identification documents, which has often been cited as a contributing factor to recidivism. Your Committee further finds that increasing collaboration between the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation and departments that provide identification documents will aid individuals in accessing necessary resources. This measure will encourage the positive reintegration of justice-involved individuals by helping them access needed services at the most crucial time, prior to release from incarceration and reentry into the community.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Public Safety and Intergovernmental and Military Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2307 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committees on Judiciary and Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Public Safety and  
Intergovernmental and Military  
Affairs,

  
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GLENN WAKAI, Chair



The Senate  
 Thirty-Second Legislature  
 State of Hawai'i

**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Public Safety and Intergovernmental and Military Affairs**  
**PSM**

Bill / Resolution No.:* <b>SB 2307</b>	Committee Referral: <b>PSM, JDC/WAM</b>	Date: <b>01/26/2024</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
WAKAI, Glenn (C)	✓			
ELEFANTE, Brandon J.C. (VC)	✓			
FUKUNAGA, Carol				✓
RHOADS, Karl	✓			
AWA, Brenton	✓			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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