

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.C.R. No. 23
H.D. 1

Honorable Nadine K. Nakamura
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2025
State of Hawaii

Madame:

Your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred H.C.R. No. 23, H.D. 1, entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, IN PLANNING AND DESIGNING THE NEW OAHU COMMUNITY CORRECTIONAL CENTER IN HALAWA, TO INCLUDE A CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT COURT FACILITY AND ESTABLISH A RELEASE PROCEDURE UNDER WHICH DETAINEES OR INMATES, UPON RELEASE, ARE TRANSPORTED TO A SITE OTHER THAN RESIDENTIAL COMMUNITIES OR PUBLIC SPACES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to request the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (DCR) to consider certain factors in the planning and design of the new Oahu Community Correctional Center (OCCC) in Halawa. This measure seeks to improve efficiency, reduce transportation costs, and address public safety concerns in the planning and operation of the new Oahu Community Correctional Center.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Judiciary; Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation; and Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission; and the Office of the Public Defender.

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Your Committee finds that the relocation and modernization of the Oahu Community Correctional Center (OCCC) presents an opportunity to enhance public safety and streamline judicial processes. Including a circuit and district court facility within the new OCCC would improve efficiency by reducing inmate transport risks and costs. Additionally, establishing a structured release procedure to transport released individuals to designated locations, rather than residential communities or public spaces, will help mitigate concerns about community safety and homelessness.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.C.R. No. 23, H.D. 1, and recommends its adoption.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Judiciary &
Hawaiian Affairs,



DAVID A. TARNAS, Chair



