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HOUSE RESOLUTION

* REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION TO EXPAND ITS PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS TO INCLUDE COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAMS.

WHEREAS, the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation 1 offers a variety of programs to help inmates gain educational 2 credentials, life skills, and work experience; and 3 4 WHEREAS, inmate work programs help to reduce idleness, 5 teach marketable skills, and reduce correctional costs; and 6 7 WHEREAS, the State and counties have landscaping work, road 8 work, construction work, and other tasks that could be performed 9 by inmates; and 10 11 WHEREAS, expanding the programs offered at correctional 12 facilities to include community service programs would benefit 13 the correctional facilities, inmates, and the State; now, 14 therefore, 15 16 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the 17 Thirty-third Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session 18 of 2025, that the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation 19 is requested to expand its personal and professional development 20 programs to include community service programs; and 21 22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the community service programs 23 should require inmates to fix potholes, trim trees, pick up 24 litter, and perform other services for the State or counties; 25 and 26 27

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the Director of Corrections and Rehabilitation.

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