H.B. NO. 1279

A Bill for an Act Relating to Public Safety.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. The intent of this Act is to incentivize partnership and investment in programs specifically designed to assist the offender population in transitioning to the community in a safe, responsible manner. This Act provides funds for holistic treatment and support services designed to enable participants from the ex-offender population to achieve self-sufficiency. These programs should include partnership with the department of public safety.

SECTION 2. The department of labor and industrial relations is authorized until June 30, 2014, to receive monetary donations and to expend the moneys collected for:

- (1) Programs specifically designed to assist the offender population in transitioning to the community in a safe, responsible way;
- (2) Holistic treatment and support services designed to enable participants from the ex-offender population to achieve self-sufficiency; and
- (3) Other purposes of this Act.

SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$250,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2013-2014 for expenses incurred for reintegration support, job training, employment placement, and case management, including through programs in partnership with the department of public safety, for persons convicted of crimes and reentering the community.

The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of labor and industrial relations for the purposes of this Act.

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2013. (Approved June 21, 2013.)