

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

3069

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR - 7 2010

RE: S.C.R. No. 190
S.D. 1

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa
President of the Senate
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2010
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Public Safety and Military Affairs, to which was referred S.C.R. No. 190 entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE CORRECTIONS POPULATION MANAGEMENT COMMISSION TO RESUME ITS MEETINGS AND TO MEET AT LEAST QUARTERLY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to request the:

- (1) Corrections Population Management Commission to resume its meetings and to meet at least quarterly to carry out its objectives; and
- (2) Department of Public Safety to distribute population reports and other relevant population information at Commission meetings, and to make all handouts, population reports, and related information available on its website.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from two private entities. Comments were received from one state department. Written testimony presented to the Committee may be reviewed on the Legislature's website.

The Corrections Population Management Commission is administratively attached to the Department of Public Safety. The objective of the Commission pursuant to section 353F-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is "to establish maximum inmate population



limits for each correctional facility and to formulate policies and procedures to prevent the inmate population from exceeding the capacity of each correctional facility." The Commission was established by law to assist the State in satisfying the requirements of a consent decree, which was the result of the 1985 lawsuit regarding overcrowding in correctional facilities.

The recent decision to close the Kulani Correctional Facility was not brought before the Commission for discussion. Likewise, the placement of fifty-four per cent of Hawaii's corrections population in private prisons on the continental United States should be a matter of discussion and debate for the Commission. Additionally, several other apparent operational deficiencies have been brought to the attention of your Committee which has oversight authority for public safety.

Your Committee has amended this measure by making technical, nonsubstantive amendments.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Public Safety and Military Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 190, as amended herein, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as S.C.R. No. 190, S.D. 1.

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




WILL ESPERO, Chair



The Senate
 Twenty-Fifth Legislature
 State of Hawaii

Record of Votes
Committee on Public Safety and Military Affairs
PSM

Bill / Resolution No.:* SCR 190	Committee Referral: PSM	Date: 4/1/10		
<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 type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
ESPERO, Will (C)	✓			
BUNDA, Robert (VC)				✓
ENGLISH, J. Kalani				✓
GABBARD, Mike	✓			
GALUTERIA, Brickwood	✓			
KIDANI, Michelle N.	✓			
HEMMINGS, Fred				✓
TOTAL	4			3
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <div style="text-align:center; font-family: cursive; font-size: 1.2em;">  </div>				
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