

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2271

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 16 2012

RE: S.B. No. 2865

Honorable Shan S. Tsutsui
President of the Senate
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2012
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Public Safety, Government Operations, and Military Affairs, to which was referred S.B. No. 2865 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY FEDERAL REIMBURSEMENT MAXIMIZATION SPECIAL FUND,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to expand the allowed uses of federal reimbursement maximization special fund monies to reflect United States Department of Justice approved uses.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Public Safety.

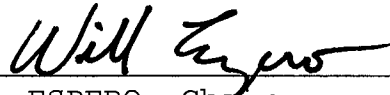
Your Committee finds that existing law limits uses of federal reimbursement maximization special fund monies to provide the state match for federal grants. Since the enactment of section 353C-7, Hawaii Revised Statutes, by Act 172, Session Laws of Hawaii 2001, the Department of Justice has developed rules that allow expanded uses of the funds for correctional purposes. As federal grant opportunities are currently diminishing, it would greatly benefit the Department of Public Safety to access federal reimbursement maximization special fund monies for other pressing needs. This measure allows the Department of Public Safety to access these monies to further the goals of corrections, including providing training for corrections officers; conducting facility or program evaluations; renting or purchasing vehicles for inmate transport; providing pre-release and re-entry programs; improving



technology; and developing a plan for workforce recruitment and retention.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Public Safety, Government Operations, and Military Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2865 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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



WILL ESPERO, Chair



The Senate
 Twenty-Sixth Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Public Safety, Government Operations, and
Military Affairs
PGM

Bill / Resolution No.:* BB 2865	Committee Referral: PGM, WAMA	Date: 2-9-12		
<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
ESPERO, Will (C)	/			
KIDANI, Michelle N. (VC)	/			
BAKER, Rosalyn H.	/			
RYAN, Pohai				/
SLOM, Sam				/
TOTAL	3	0	0	2
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <i>Michelle N. Kidani</i>				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes