

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.C.R. No. 90

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim
President of the Senate
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2015
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and
Military Affairs, to which was referred S.C.R. No. 90 entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING THE DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC SAFETY TO CONTINUE AND EXPAND ITS STRUCTURED COMMUNITY
PLACEMENT PROGRAMS TO ASSIST IN TRANSITIONING FORMERLY
INCARCERATED FEMALE INMATES BACK INTO SOCIETY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to encourage the
Department of Public Safety to continue and expand its structured
community placement programs to assist in transitioning formerly
incarcerated female inmates back into society.

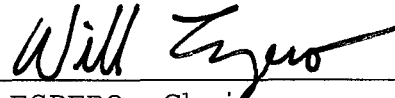
Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from the Department of Public Safety, Office of Hawaiian Affairs,
Community Alliance on Prisons, Drug Policy Action Group, and four
individuals. Your Committee received comments on this measure
from one individual.

Your Committee finds that structured community placement
programs help non-violent female offenders break the cycle of
substance abuse, crime, and incarceration because many female
offenders return to incarceration if their drug or alcohol
dependencies are not treated and their recovery is not supported
during their transition. Female offenders who become repeat
offenders due to substance abuse addiction greatly cost the public
and the State. Continuing and expanding structured community
placement programs will reduce incarceration costs and address the
problems associated with reentry and the high rate of recidivism.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 90 and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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



WILL ESPERO, Chair



The Senate
 Twenty-Eighth Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
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Bill / Resolution No.:* SCR 90	Committee Referral: PSM, WAM	Date: 3-31-15		
<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)	X			
BAKER, Rosalyn H. (VC)				X
GALUTERIA, Brickwood	X			
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C.	X			
SLOM, Sam	X			
TOTAL	4	0	0	1
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes