

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2209

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 12 2014

RE: S.B. No. 2885

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim
President of the Senate
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
Regular Session of 2014
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and
Military Affairs, to which was referred S.B. No. 2885 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CORRECTIONAL HEALTH CARE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to allow the
Director of Public Safety to recruit qualified candidates for
appointment to the positions of Mental Health Branch Administrator
and Mental Health Section Administrators without regard to civil
service laws.

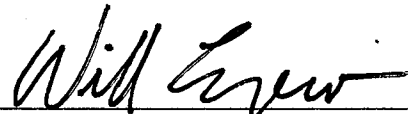
Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from the Department of Public Safety. Your Committee received
testimony in opposition to this measure from one individual.

Your Committee finds that in 2008, the Department of Public
Safety entered into a settlement agreement with the United States
Department of Justice to improve mental health services available
to persons incarcerated at the Oahu Community Correctional Center.
Since that time, substantial improvements have been made,
including the creation of additional positions to manage mental
health services statewide. However, it has been a challenge to
fill these positions with qualified individuals due to the unique
nature of providing health services within the correctional
setting. This measure will allow the Director of Public Safety
more flexibility in appointing a Mental Health Branch
Administrator and Mental Health Section Administrators.



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 is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2885 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,
Intergovernmental and Military
Affairs,

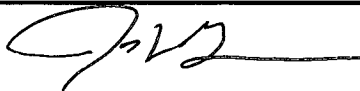


WILL ESPERO, Chair



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Record of Votes
Committee on Public Safety and Military Affairs
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Bill / Resolution No.:* SB 2885	Committee Referral: PSM, WAM	Date: 2/4/14		
<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)	✓			
BAKER, Rosalyn H. (VC)				✓
GALUTERIA, Brickwood	✓			
GREEN, M.D., Josh	✓			
SLOM, Sam	✓			
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