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December 14, 2023

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi, President and Members of the Senate Thirty-second State Legislature State Capitol, Room 409 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

The Honorable Scott K. Saiki, Speaker and Members of the House of the House of Representatives
Thirty-second State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 431
Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear President Kouchi, Speaker Saiki, and Members of the Legislature:

For your information and consideration, I am transmitting a copy of the **Annual Report on the Return of Out-of-State Inmates**, in response to Act 8, Session Laws of Hawaii 2007, Special Session, Part 1, Section 7(c). In accordance with Section 93-16, Hawaii Revised Statutes, I am also informing you that the report may be viewed electronically at: Department of Public Safety 2023 Reports to Legislature (hawaii.gov)

Sincerely,

Yommy Johnson

Director

Enclosure



DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT TO THE 2021 LEGISLATURE

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The following table shows the inmates that are within 1 year of their parole hearing date and have not been returned in 2023:

Non-compliance in programs (i.e. Refuse programs,	97	
termination of programs) resulting in Medium Custody		
High/Greatest category misconducts within last 18 months		
resulting in Medium Custody		
Escape history within past 7 years from community/	19	
minimum custody facility, resulting in higher custody level		
Detainers (i.e. Immigration, Federal, State) that precludes		
minimum custody housing		
Refuse to work furlough programs & parole;	51	
wants to max out resulting in Medium Custody		
Pending parole release to another state other than Hawaii	- 5	
(Interstate)		
Pending available bed space at furlough program	0	
TOTAL		

PSD continues to return inmates back to Hawaii from the mainland facility. From the previous count of 996 inmates (Beginning of 2023), the count of inmates has dropped to 876 inmates current housed at the out-of-state facility. Public Safety continues to strive to comply with ACT 8 by encouraging inmates to complete their recommended programs to transition back thru the work furlough program and achieve the goals and objectives of Act 8.



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High/Greatest category misconducts within last 18 months	135	
resulting in Medium Custody		
Escape history within past 7 years from community/	19	
minimum custody facility, resulting in higher custody level		
Detainers (i.e. Immigration, Federal, State) that precludes	24	
minimum custody housing		
Refuse to work furlough programs & parole;	51	
wants to max out resulting in Medium Custody		
Pending parole release to another state other than Hawaii	5	
(Interstate)		
Pending available bed space at furlough program	0	
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