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DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION

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The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi, President and Members of the Senate Thirty-Third State Legislature State Capitol, Room 409 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

The Honorable Nadine K. Nakamura, Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives Thirty-Third State Legislature State Capitol, Room 431 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear President Kouchi, Speaker Nakamura, and Members of the Legislature,

For your information and consideration, I am transmitting a copy of the **Annual Report to the Legislature on the Status of the Federal Reimbursement Maximization Special Fund** in response to Section 353C-7, Hawai'i Revised Statutes. In accordance with Section 93-16, Hawaii Revised Statutes, , I am also informing you that the report may be viewed electronically at https://dcr.hawaii.gov/2025-reports-to-legislature/.

Should you have any questions regarding this report, please have your staff contact Teresita V. Fernandez, Business Management Officer, at 587-1236.

Sincerely,

Tommy Johnson Director

Enclosure



DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION REPORT TO THE 2025 LEGISLATURE

RESPONSE TO SECTION 353-38 HAWAII REVISED STATUTES

Annual Report on the Status of the Federal Reimbursement Maximization Special Fund

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Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (PSD) Annual Report on the Status of the Federal Reimbursement Maximization Special Fund Fiscal Year 2024

Section 353-38, Hawaii Revised Statutes, established the Federal Reimbursement Maximization Special Fund (FRMSF) under the purview of the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (PSD). The following are the uses allowed for this special fund:

- 1. To meet the state match requirement for federal grants and costs associated with federal grant reporting requirements, including administrative expenses such as the hiring of temporary staff;
- 2. For any other purpose deemed necessary by the department for maintaining existing federal grants as well as pursuing federal grants;
- 3. To hire consultants to provide training for corrections officers;
- 4. To hire consultants to conduct facility or program evaluations;
- 5. To rent or purchase vehicles to transport inmates;
- 6. To provide pre-release and reentry programs;
- 7. To improve technology; and
- 8. To recruit and retain corrections workforce.

For fiscal year 2024, the total expenditure was \$710,363.00. The details of the expenditure are as follows:

\$701,784.00 for Purchases of motor vehicles to transport inmates

The funds were used to replace vehicles at Oahu Community Correctional Center and Hawaii Community Correctional Center. Vehicles are essential in the conduct of operations at a correctional facility.

\$4,279.00 for the payment of Special Fund Assessment Fees

In accordance with Section 36-30, HRS, the Director of Finance is authorized to transfer assessments for the pro rata share of administrative expenses incurred by the department responsible for the operations supported by each special fund.