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00:00:06.440 --> 00:00:07.680
mark.patterson.nsw: We liked yours.

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00:00:08.240 --> 00:00:09.850
Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: It's 9 o'clock, yeah?

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00:00:12.800 --> 00:00:13.560
Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Yup.

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00:00:14.790 --> 00:00:16.190
mark.patterson.nsw: Was that a yes, George?

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00:00:16.370 --> 00:00:17.100
Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Yup.

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00:00:18.440 --> 00:00:26.050
mark.patterson.nsw: Okay Trying to see... how much people we have here. You're letting them in now.

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00:00:26.330 --> 00:00:26.960
Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Yup.

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00:00:30.630 --> 00:00:37.200
mark.patterson.nsw: Good morning, Commissioners. Aloha. Thank you for coming, to our meeting today. They're on,

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00:00:37.340 --> 00:00:49.670
mark.patterson.nsw: Big Island, in Hilo. We have two of our commissioners there. Let's begin with a roll call real quick on who's physically in the Hilo, location. Martha Tornay?

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00:00:50.020 --> 00:00:50.830
Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Here.

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00:00:51.410 --> 00:00:52.490
mark.patterson.nsw: Ronnie Barro.

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00:00:52.820 --> 00:00:53.360
Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: air.

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00:00:53.840 --> 00:00:59.600
mark.patterson.nsw: Online is myself, Mark Patterson, Mike Towne.

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00:00:59.600 --> 00:01:00.300
Mike Town: Here?

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00:01:00.980 --> 00:01:02.829
mark.patterson.nsw: And, Mark Browning.

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00:01:02.830 --> 00:01:03.500
R. Mark Browning: Here.

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00:01:04.110 --> 00:01:14.100
mark.patterson.nsw: Good. All commissioners are here today. Thank you. You all survived the legislative session. Of course, we all watch from the sidelines now.

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00:01:14.740 --> 00:01:28.719
mark.patterson.nsw: I like it. Before we even go into the approval of the minutes, I want to ask for a motion to move the number 4 item, the monthly update from the DCR,

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00:01:28.820 --> 00:01:36.000
mark.patterson.nsw: from Tommy Johnson, and change it to right after item number... to be item number 9.

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00:01:36.450 --> 00:01:37.200
R. Mark Browning: Second.

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00:01:39.670 --> 00:01:41.499
Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: So moved in seconds.

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00:01:41.500 --> 00:01:46.559
mark.patterson.nsw: Martha moved, and mark seconded that,

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00:01:47.520 --> 00:02:00.340
mark.patterson.nsw: position on the agenda, number 4 to number 9. Tommy Johnson might be a little bit late, so we moved him to the rear of the meeting so that he can make it and do his report. All in favor say aye.

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00:02:00.770 --> 00:02:01.410
Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Huh.

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00:02:01.640 --> 00:02:03.070
mark.patterson.nsw: All of Paul say?

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00:02:03.940 --> 00:02:07.860
mark.patterson.nsw: Motion carried, thank you. I'll take a motion for the minutes, please.

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00:02:08.460 --> 00:02:09.289

Mike Town: So moved.

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00:02:10.789 --> 00:02:12.989

Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Wait, would you have to make one change?

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00:02:13.429 --> 00:02:18.439

Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: It has, Ronnie Barra as virtually attending the meeting. He was there in person.

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00:02:20.330 --> 00:02:22.609

mark.patterson.nsw: Okay, can we... can I get the second first?

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00:02:22.790 --> 00:02:23.480

R. Mark Browning: Ducky.

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00:02:23.800 --> 00:02:29.900

mark.patterson.nsw: Okay, been moved by Mike Towne and seconded, by Mark Browning that we,

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00:02:30.820 --> 00:02:39.639

mark.patterson.nsw: Approve the minutes of April 17th. Further discussion, I heard that we need to revise, the presence of Ronnie Barra?

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00:02:40.950 --> 00:02:46.559

Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Yes. Yes, all you have to do is take out the word virtual next to my name, because I was there present.

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00:02:46.930 --> 00:02:47.890

mark.patterson.nsw: Okay.

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00:02:54.340 --> 00:02:55.770

mark.patterson.nsw: I just went blank.

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00:02:57.390 --> 00:03:01.219

mark.patterson.nsw: So we're gonna vote on the, on the minutes with the change.

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00:03:01.220 --> 00:03:01.810

R. Mark Browning: Right.

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00:03:02.250 --> 00:03:02.890

mark.patterson.nsw: Okay?

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00:03:03.420 --> 00:03:05.070

mark.patterson.nsw: All in favor say aye.

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00:03:05.650 --> 00:03:06.200
Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Alright.

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00:03:06.200 --> 00:03:07.850
mark.patterson.nsw: Hello, Paul, same.

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00:03:08.710 --> 00:03:12.559
mark.patterson.nsw: Motion carried. George, you make the corrections for us, yes?

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00:03:12.720 --> 00:03:13.869
Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: That is correct, yes.

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00:03:14.190 --> 00:03:15.079
mark.patterson.nsw: Thank you.

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00:03:20.400 --> 00:03:21.640
mark.patterson.nsw: Okay,

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00:03:23.410 --> 00:03:43.259
mark.patterson.nsw: Commissioners, if you look at item number 5, vote on the adoption of the oversight coordinator's parental leave transitional plan. This is the plan that was put together, once, by the Oversight coordinator on how the Commission will be handled in her absence while she's on maternity leave.

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00:03:43.950 --> 00:03:50.009
mark.patterson.nsw: I would like to say that, she's doing well. A little... another little baby boy.

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00:03:50.300 --> 00:03:52.770
mark.patterson.nsw: And that,

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00:03:53.080 --> 00:04:11.149
mark.patterson.nsw: we have already transitioned. Now, if you guys... if you see it, as she does, very intentional on all the aspects of her roles and how it needs to be accomplished, written in the plan. The plan, George, just to confirm, is on the website.

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00:04:12.290 --> 00:04:13.690
Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Yes, correct, Chair.

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00:04:13.690 --> 00:04:20.550
mark.patterson.nsw: Okay, the plan is on the website, the baby... as always.

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00:04:21.019 --> 00:04:36.949
mark.patterson.nsw: came suddenly, and so we've already implemented portions of this plan. Myself and Martha had agreed to take over, you know, portions of the oversight coordinator's responsibilities, and we

have been meeting every Monday since birth.

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00:04:37.350 --> 00:04:42.139

mark.patterson.nsw: and having discussions with the staff. Martha, you want anything to say?

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00:04:42.910 --> 00:04:43.770

Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Nope.

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00:04:44.110 --> 00:05:05.719

Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Oh, just one thing. My term ends June 30th of this year, so with, the speaker, who I was appointed by Scott Psyche in the past, Nadine has agreed to keep me on as a holdover for the implementation of this plan, so I will be stepping down, most likely on September 30th instead of June 30th.

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00:05:07.680 --> 00:05:09.950

mark.patterson.nsw: Okay, thank you for that information.

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00:05:10.160 --> 00:05:19.170

mark.patterson.nsw: Commissioners, any, any, wait, hold on. Any questions you have on the transitional plan?

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00:05:24.540 --> 00:05:31.519

mark.patterson.nsw: those meetings that we have Monday nights, Mondays at 10.30 is with me, Martha, George.

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00:05:31.640 --> 00:05:33.630

mark.patterson.nsw: And our two investigators.

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00:05:39.610 --> 00:05:44.289

mark.patterson.nsw: I don't hear, george, I'm going blank.

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00:05:44.550 --> 00:05:48.820

mark.patterson.nsw: Because I know we're going to have to take a vote, but should I ask for testimony at this time?

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00:05:50.170 --> 00:05:50.870

Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Yes.

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00:05:50.870 --> 00:06:08.530

mark.patterson.nsw: Yeah. I'm open the floor up to anyone online if they have any questions or testimony they'd like to give in regards to the parental leave transitional plan from the Oversight coordinator on how the Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission will be managed in her absence.

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00:06:08.640 --> 00:06:09.969

mark.patterson.nsw: At this time.

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00:06:11.210 --> 00:06:12.729

mark.patterson.nsw: In the room, Martha?

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00:06:14.170 --> 00:06:15.710

Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Excuse me? Oh, do you mean?

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00:06:15.710 --> 00:06:16.970

mark.patterson.nsw: Anybody in the room have any...

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00:06:16.970 --> 00:06:19.329

Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Transition, no questions in the room.

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00:06:19.670 --> 00:06:21.100

mark.patterson.nsw: George, no one online?

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00:06:21.300 --> 00:06:23.330

Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: That is correct, Chair. Nobody in mind.

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00:06:23.330 --> 00:06:26.200

mark.patterson.nsw: Okay, I'll take a motion to accept.

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00:06:27.130 --> 00:06:29.300

Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: So moved. Second.

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00:06:29.680 --> 00:06:40.579

mark.patterson.nsw: It's been moved and seconded by, moved by Martha and seconded by, Ron that we accept the Oversight Coordinator's Parental Leave Transition Plan at this time. All in favor say aye.

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00:06:40.580 --> 00:06:41.370

R. Mark Browning: Aye.

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00:06:41.990 --> 00:06:43.539

mark.patterson.nsw: All opposed, saved.

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00:06:44.630 --> 00:06:50.460

mark.patterson.nsw: Motion carried. Thank you, everyone. Once again, that parental leave transition plan is on...

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00:06:50.710 --> 00:06:53.969

mark.patterson.nsw: the Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission website.

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00:06:54.910 --> 00:06:58.410

mark.patterson.nsw: Let's move on to item 6.

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00:06:59.660 --> 00:07:05.030

mark.patterson.nsw: I don't think it's officially over, but it's still ongoing, in terms of the legislative and private.

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00:07:05.030 --> 00:07:06.700

Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: No, it's over, it's over.

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00:07:06.700 --> 00:07:07.020

mark.patterson.nsw: Okay.

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00:07:07.020 --> 00:07:07.340

Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Yeah.

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00:07:07.340 --> 00:07:11.379

mark.patterson.nsw: Martha's gonna give us a, a summary of,

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00:07:11.760 --> 00:07:15.769

mark.patterson.nsw: Everything that we had hoped for, and what happened.

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00:07:16.320 --> 00:07:40.930

Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Okay, so these will be the primary bills that we submitted testimony on. First of all, the state budget. We didn't have any requests, but we will ask Director Johnson to provide us with an update as to the department's budget, and how they did with that. HB1516 was pretrial release, and it was bailed based on defendants' ability to pay. It passed out as CD1, but it died on the Senate floor.

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00:07:40.930 --> 00:07:43.040

Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: So it did not move any further.

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00:07:43.100 --> 00:07:58.809

Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: HB 2413, pretrial reform, own recognizance for lesser offenses requires findings when bail or detention is imposed, prompt hearing if bail cannot be posted, and that also died on the Senate floor. It did not make it to conference.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Hb 1628, Compassionate Release, establishes protocol for compassionate release

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: That is the one that did not pass conference. That others were interested in having us contact legislators, but unfortunately, it died in conference, and there's really nothing we could have done to change that. Sb2688 was the,

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Senate bill on compassionate release, and that, died. The Senate did not assign conferees to that. Both of these bills had made it to conference, but, one died in conference, and the other, the Senate never assigned any appointees, so it wasn't even heard in conference.

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00:08:38.090 --> 00:08:59.189

Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: HB1518 SNAP benefits allows incarcerated persons to apply for SNAP prior to release, and includes persons with drug convictions to apply as long as they comply with treatment. There is a way that we... the state can request exemptions from the federal government to allow those who are convicted of drug convictions to receive SNAP.

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00:08:59.190 --> 00:09:07.380

Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: And CD1 passed, and it was sent to the floor vote, and it passed on the floor. So we will be submitting comments and recommendations on that bill.

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00:09:07.540 --> 00:09:27.139

Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: HB 2044, offender Reentry, extends programming and training, and it was never referred to the Senate. HB2356, offender reentry, requires the department to provide certificate of rehabilitation, and again, it came out of the House, but it was never referred to the Senate.

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00:09:27.530 --> 00:09:37.520

Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: And we had concerns about that bill anyway, about how someone... how the department would be able to issue a certificate saying someone passed a course. I mean, what does it mean?

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00:09:37.580 --> 00:09:52.040

Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Hb 1769, Correctional Facilities, requires the department to incrementally return inmates from private, out-of-state correctional facilities. Went to conference, but again, House did not assign conferees, so it wasn't heard.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Sb 2030, corrections, body cameras for ACOs. The House did not assign conferees, so it went to conference but was not heard.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: SB 2862, gubernatorial appointments, requires non-civil servant appointees to obtain the advice and consent of the Senate, and that died in the Senate. That would have affected Kristen's position.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: SCR89, which is, the Commission to do an advisory committee, requests that we... the Commission establish an advisory committee concerning implementation of alternative models of rehabilitation and restorative justice. This was adopted... adopted by the Senate and the House.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: It has been the practice of the governor's office, and I

presume this is still true, that they respond to concurrent resolutions. In the past, if it was a single house resolution, because there were so many.

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00:10:48.450 --> 00:10:55.110

Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: The governor would not require a response to them, but this is a concurrent resolution, so we will be following up with this.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: And that's what I have to report.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: I think now you get testimony from the floor.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: I don't see Kat in, she was in for a while.

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00:11:12.020 --> 00:11:13.560

KAT BRADY: My camera working.

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00:11:13.560 --> 00:11:15.139

Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Oh, okay.

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00:11:15.160 --> 00:11:17.560

KAT BRADY: Sorry.

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00:11:18.570 --> 00:11:23.810

Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Okay, so comments... now I think it's time for testimony from the floor, yeah? Is that correct? Yeah.

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00:11:24.270 --> 00:11:25.000

mark.patterson.nsw: Good.

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00:11:25.820 --> 00:11:30.700

mark.patterson.nsw: If anyone wants to make comments on the legislative session and their experience, I'd love to hear it.

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00:11:35.160 --> 00:11:37.720

Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Okay, hearing none... Anything?

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KAT BRADY: Leah has her hand up. Leah Kinney, Kinney.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Oh, I'm sorry, didn't see you, Leah.

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Lea Kinikini: Thank you, since I haven't been following very closely, but...

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00:11:50.400 --> 00:12:03.919
Lea Kinikini: With the compassionate release, I think that was SC30, I don't know which number it was, but it's affecting my brother, who's in, protective custody at Halava Correctional Facility.

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Lea Kinikini: He had heard that that there was some legislation that would require DCR to address

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Lea Kinikini: people in protective custody, in effect, being solitary confinement, and so I'm wondering, is that kind of embedded in that compassionate release, and if so, do you guys have plans for how you're going to...

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00:12:31.210 --> 00:12:33.829
Lea Kinikini: For those who are being held in,

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00:12:34.860 --> 00:12:40.000
Lea Kinikini: It's basically administrative segregation, but it functions as solitary confinement.

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Lea Kinikini: Oh, first.

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00:12:41.490 --> 00:12:42.610
Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: So the compa...

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00:12:42.900 --> 00:12:50.660
Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Leah, the Compassionate Release Bill relates to inmates who are seriously ill and often facing death.

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00:12:50.700 --> 00:13:05.850
Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: to get them out so they don't die in prison, so it wouldn't affect people who are in restrictive housing. The bill that passed last year would affect those in restrictive housing, and I'm not as well versed on it as others are. Kat may be someone who could

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00:13:05.850 --> 00:13:13.560
Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Kat, can you give a better review of the compassionate... I mean, I'm sorry, of the restrictive housing law as it was passed last year?

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KAT BRADY: Well, that's still in flux because there's a working group working on solitary confinement. But I can say about compassionate release that,

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KAT BRADY: The changes that were made in conference were things that everybody agreed on.

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KAT BRADY: And then at the last minute, somebody in the Senate

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KAT BRADY: Didn't show up for the last hearing, and that was that.

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KAT BRADY: So...

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00:13:44.290 --> 00:13:45.149

mark.patterson.nsw: It never passed.

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KAT BRADY: Because it didn't have quorum.

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00:13:49.960 --> 00:14:03.339

Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Yeah. Okay. It's very unfortunate. I mean, it is the game of politics, and that's what it was. It was a game of politics. It was not that somebody was voting against compassionate release, it had to do with power between the House and the Senate.

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KAT BRADY: And Tommy had agreed to the changes that were made.

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00:14:07.040 --> 00:14:07.740

Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Yeah.

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KAT BRADY: Also...

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Try and get...

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KAT BRADY: To mention on, on,

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: restricted housing?

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KAT BRADY: No, on, Bell.

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KAT BRADY: pre-trial release, HB1516 is a bill that is really simple.

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KAT BRADY: Basically saying if somebody is, you know, receiving state benefits, that should not be counted as part of their income.

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KAT BRADY: So it was really... Kind of a bill that didn't really...

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KAT BRADY: Do anything except to say, stop incarcerating poor people at \$307 a day.

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KAT BRADY: And... it was... Recommitted on the floor.

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00:14:54.930 --> 00:15:08.040
KAT BRADY: And that was really... I was there, it was really heartbreaking. But, you know, such is politics, and we'll be back next year, that's all I can say, we don't give up.

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00:15:08.160 --> 00:15:09.460
KAT BRADY: So...

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00:15:09.460 --> 00:15:15.740
Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: So, anyway, to get back to what Leah's request was about the, .

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00:15:15.740 --> 00:15:16.590
KAT BRADY: Solitary.

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00:15:16.590 --> 00:15:34.609
Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: solitary. I wish I could give you more information right now, Leah, but I will go over the current law. Again, I don't know as much as Kat knows, because I'm not part of this working group, but we'll come up with some information for you about the implementation of the law, so it's not implemented yet.

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00:15:35.250 --> 00:15:37.320
Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: But it did pass last year.

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00:15:37.550 --> 00:15:38.190
KAT BRADY: Yeah.

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00:15:38.360 --> 00:15:40.339
Lea Kinikini: Thank you for the clarification.

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00:15:40.340 --> 00:15:50.409

mark.patterson.nsw: So, Leah, real quick, and I don't have the information in front of me, so I'm going off the top of my head, myself and the oversight coordinator from... since last year was taking

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mark.patterson.nsw: Part in the, working group that has been mentioned.

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00:15:55.830 --> 00:15:58.399

mark.patterson.nsw: On, administrative segregation.

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00:15:58.690 --> 00:16:09.950

mark.patterson.nsw: And, we did do a presentation. George, I'm wondering if that PowerPoint is on our website, I'm not sure. But we did do a presentation to,

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00:16:10.660 --> 00:16:11.970

mark.patterson.nsw: the leadership who

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mark.patterson.nsw: included, Representative Bellotti and Senator Nakamura. So those are the two leaders leading that, working group at this time, trying to educate themselves on the many complex aspects of,

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00:16:26.910 --> 00:16:33.270

mark.patterson.nsw: administrative segregation. Should we find some information we think might be of use for you, we can send it to you.

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00:16:33.810 --> 00:16:34.810

mark.patterson.nsw: Okay?

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Lea Kinikini: Thank you, Commissioner.

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00:16:37.160 --> 00:16:38.260

mark.patterson.nsw: Yeah, thank you.

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00:16:38.780 --> 00:16:48.020

mark.patterson.nsw: Okay, let's move on to item number... So... Oversight Coordinated Report.

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00:16:48.790 --> 00:16:50.799

mark.patterson.nsw: So, real quick...

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00:16:51.300 --> 00:17:05.629

mark.patterson.nsw: On Wednesday, April 8th, 2026, at approximately 11.01 PM, facility staff at the state contracted facility Saguaro Correctional Center in Arizona received notification from a local hospital

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mark.patterson.nsw: that a Japanese male, 63 years old, was pronounced deceased after an extended stay within their care.

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mark.patterson.nsw: An autopsy was performed on April 9th, 2026, and the medical examiner report concluded that the individual passed due to natural causes.

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00:17:22.670 --> 00:17:29.469

mark.patterson.nsw: Okay, our, our team continues to, participate in,

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mark.patterson.nsw: events within our, correctional community.

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mark.patterson.nsw: And re-entry community at, celebrating the 17th annual parole completion, sponsored by, Hawaii Friends of Restorative Justice, Lauren Walker's group.

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mark.patterson.nsw: We went on a tour of Kauai Correctional Community Center last...

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mark.patterson.nsw: Last month, yeah. And, the gist of this, coordinator's report, I want to just...

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mark.patterson.nsw: you know, briefly, it is on the website. I want you folks to look at it. It's really outlining the complaints that the Commission has been receiving, and how much we're working at with this time. We, you know, since we've been able to pick up our,

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mark.patterson.nsw: I think it's been less than 2 years that we've had a jail investigator, and we just picked up the prison investigator, so we've had a lot of backlog from 2000... since 2019 when we started, but we have closed 72,

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mark.patterson.nsw: We do have 111 cases that are open, and we have 231 that are pending.

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mark.patterson.nsw: So those are high numbers. Now that we have the investigative,

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mark.patterson.nsw: staff, so people are writing to us. Some of that can be misleading, because it could be double, you know, complaints with the same thing.

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mark.patterson.nsw: But we are learning to teach ourselves how to manage a complaint system, that it has to include a database so we can track them, and really try to look at the patterns that we're seeing. We are noticing that some of the complaints are not within the jurisdiction of the Oversight Commission.

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mark.patterson.nsw: Primarily with complaints against parole.

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mark.patterson.nsw: And they're sentencing, but we are looking at how we can be an advocate for those complaints.

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mark.patterson.nsw: But technically, they don't fall under our mandate.

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mark.patterson.nsw: And that's another matter we can discuss as a commission. So, that's currently where we are. We are seeing most of our complaints coming out of the state of Arizona, and the least of our complaints coming out of Waiava, yeah?

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mark.patterson.nsw: Any further, folks want to look more into it, please refer to the website.

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mark.patterson.nsw: We're also continuing to look at the lack of movement through the system in regards to the, the monthly,

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mark.patterson.nsw: population counts that we get, and we all continually see that Wayava and Kulani remain to be...

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mark.patterson.nsw: at less than half capacity, and so we're continually working with DCR to figure out a way to move bodies quicker through the system.

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mark.patterson.nsw: Oh.

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mark.patterson.nsw: With that being said, that's most of the report that I feel is good to be said at this time. The rest can be read if you have any questions.

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mark.patterson.nsw: Let me know.

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Mike Town: Mark?

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mark.patterson.nsw: Yes.

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Mike Town: I work with a mediation group, and people write...

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Mike Town: that have any concern, and I want to commend our staff and people, they want to be heard. If they send a letter to my mediation staff, I just forward it to

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Mike Town: Kristen, and it seems to be pretty...

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Mike Town: pretty seamless and pretty open, so I'm very appreciative that

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Mike Town: People who are concerned get heard.

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mark.patterson.nsw: Thank you, Mike. I think the oversight coordinator's putting together a good program. It's just us catching our win and trying to,

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mark.patterson.nsw: Learn the best way to manage the complaints that are coming in at this time.

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mark.patterson.nsw: Any other comments from the commissioners?

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mark.patterson.nsw: Hearing none, let's move on.

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mark.patterson.nsw: Go item number...

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Open it up for testimony.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Mark, open it up, the, oversight...

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mark.patterson.nsw: on the Oversight Commission?

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Or comments.

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mark.patterson.nsw: Amber, any, questions or comments from the,

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mark.patterson.nsw: Public, or in the room, on the.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: again.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Carrie Ann has one.

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mark.patterson.nsw: Okay, I'm sorry, yeah. Go ahead, Carrie Ann.

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Carrie Ann Shirota: Aloha, Commissioners, Carrie Ann Shirota. I wanted to comment. I saw that in the Oversight Coordinator's report, there is a reference, and you just read out, that there was a death at Saguaro, and I think it is really important to look at the patterns, especially in light of the fact that our compassionate release bill tragically.

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Carrie Ann Shirota: died at the very end of the session. But in the... since the beginning of this year, when we look at the individuals who have died.

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Carrie Ann Shirota: It includes 6.

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Carrie Ann Shirota: Of the 6, one was between the ages of 20 and 30, and the list, it says.

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Carrie Ann Shirota: cause unknown, although I have information to believe that that was, foul play and relating to gangs. The other 5 individuals that died were between the ages... one was between the age of 50 and 60, the other four were between the ages

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Carrie Ann Shirota: 60 and 70 years old.

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Carrie Ann Shirota: So if we're looking at the patterns and the number of people, we're looking at kupuna who are dying unnecessarily in our jails and prisons, and so I just want to bring this to the forefront, because many community members came out in strong support of compassionate release.

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Carrie Ann Shirota: And even though we don't know the details about these individuals' situation, a few of them were in hospitals, either in Arizona.

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Carrie Ann Shirota: or polymomior queens, and so these are individuals that should be either receiving care in the community, nursing homes, or with their loved ones, you know, dying with dignity and having time with their Ohana. And the fact that

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Carrie Ann Shirota: 5 out of the 6 are kupuna. It's just a very...

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Carrie Ann Shirota: makes me very sad, and I know for many of us in the community, I can only imagine the grief that their families are experiencing and not having that time together. So we can definitely work on that and do better. And with that, I just want to say that at the very end, I understand, even though I didn't see the letter.

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Carrie Ann Shirota: that the Department of Corrections, Hawaii Parling Authority, and the Oversight Commission wrote a joint letter in support of an agreement on the CD1 of the Compassionate Release Bill, and so I do want to applaud that effort to work together.

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Carrie Ann Shirota: to advance this measure, and that hopefully we'll come back next year and get it to the finish line. Thank you.

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mark.patterson.nsw: Thank you, Carrion. Thank you very much.

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mark.patterson.nsw: Any other comments?

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: No more.

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mark.patterson.nsw: And thank you for bringing that up, Carrie Ann, in regards to patterns and what's happened so far in 2026. And we've said it before in previous meetings, Commissioner. We are conducting

the death in custody.

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mark.patterson.nsw: We're looking at from 2000 to today. And we do have a lot of information that, that, you know.

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mark.patterson.nsw: Will cause a lot of questions.

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mark.patterson.nsw: But right now, the delay of the report, to my understanding, is really trying to open up a collaborative relationship with the medical examiner.

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mark.patterson.nsw: Okay, we are waiting for a lot of autopsy reports at this time.

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mark.patterson.nsw: Okay, so I just want to let Carrie Ann and those of you in the community concerned with the patterns of death in custody, that it is an ongoing,

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mark.patterson.nsw: project for us.

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mark.patterson.nsw: And that's kind of where we're at at this particular point in time. The oversight coordinator is the one that was really leading the charge on that with...

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mark.patterson.nsw: Alec Jamison, our, one of our jail investigators.

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mark.patterson.nsw: So, maybe next weekend... I'm sorry, the next meeting, we'll try to have a more updated report on that death in custody project for everyone. But thank you for bringing that to our attention, Carrie Annette.

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KAT BRADY: Can I say something?

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mark.patterson.nsw: Go ahead.

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KAT BRADY: Well, it's interesting that most of the complaints are coming from Saguaro, because I have been deluged with letters about the Hawaii, monitor there.

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KAT BRADY: Who has interfered with mail, with medical care.

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KAT BRADY: And, basically acts like she's running the facility. She intervenes in grievances, things that are not in her scope.

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KAT BRADY: And I was wondering if the, commission would actually

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KAT BRADY: ask that she come to Hawaii and do a public briefing with the legislature about what her role is and how she actually performs that role.

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KAT BRADY: I have lots of documentation on things that she's done that are just not within her scope of practice, and I'm really concerned because I think a lot of the letters probably have something to do with that.

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KAT BRADY: So, she's paid by taxpayer money.

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KAT BRADY: And yet, we have no say about what goes on. And I've heard that monitors from other places have actually intervened, because she's been so out of control.

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KAT BRADY: So I just... that's a request I'm making to the Commission, that, the Commission works with the legislature to hold a public information briefing. Apparently, she comes to Hawaii once a year.

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KAT BRADY: To hold a public information briefing on the

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KAT BRADY: with the Hawaii Monitor, especially because we're getting so many complaints. I am, many other people in the community are, and the Oversight Commission is.

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KAT BRADY: Thank you.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Thank you, Kat.

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mark.patterson.nsw: Thank you, Kat.

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mark.patterson.nsw: We want to move on to our next item, which is the overview of the...

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mark.patterson.nsw: Kauai Community Correctional Center Tour?

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mark.patterson.nsw: Go ahead, Martha. Thank you.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Okay, the tour took place on Friday, April 17th. I was not there because I have an injury to my knee, but others attended the tour. The commission was joined by members of the prosecutor's staff on the tour, so they, appreciated having the contact with the prosecutor's office and that they were there.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: The facility is running right now at 66% capacity, with 85 individuals, held there.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: You may be aware from previous reports that there were containers built for COVID, and when we were there in 2024, they were being used for women's housing, and we were concerned about that because they often were left in their containers for extended periods of time, and they were very restrictive in those containers. So when we went in May of 2025, they were not being used at all.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Which was a real advantage. Well, they're being used again now, and they're being used for the mentally...

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: mentally ill population. And so, my understanding is that when the Commission visit, there was an ACO assigned to be outside with those

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: those people in those containers. In the past, we had found that the ACOs were intermittently assigned to the containers, so they weren't there all the time. So, it's important, especially if you have people with behavioral problems or mental health problems, that they have someone on site all the time.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: The commission, let's see... when you go... hold on...

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Having a little bit of trouble with this.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Okay, the shipping containers I just discussed. Module A. Module A is the oldest part of the facility that was built, opened in 1977.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: And it consists of, 4 units of 3 cells each, and 2... the, rated capacity is... or our capacity is, 2 people per cell. In fact, though, there are people, once again, living in the very tiny day rooms in front of these cells. So, in Unit 2, there were 2 people living in the day room, or assigned the day room, and in Unit 4, there were 3 people assigned in the day room.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Those day rooms, very small day rooms, should not be used for housing at all.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: But in part, this is due to, something else I'll be talking about in just a minute, another unit being closed.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: These... the secure beds are for those who are classified as medium, and with most pretrial inmates, they were automatically medium, because we feel that... I shouldn't say we feel, but it was assumed that the judges would have put them out onto OR or something else if they didn't feel that they had some problems in the community. So they should be classified as medium, and that's why they're found in these

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: housing units.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: I asked Rhonda to review very quickly the law library.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Which is located in the secure area. Yes, the law library is located in Module A, and we did not have any complaints about accessibility. The sign-up... we looked at the sign-up sheet, there were people signed up for appointments.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: there's sufficient legal resources available. The only thing we did not see is the Commissioner's report.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: in the Oversight Commissioner's report and the Law Library, so we told them to be sure to... Make that available? Yes. Yeah. And one concern was that Module A is a male living unit, and so there was concern whether the females got in there, but your... No complaints about accessibility.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Okay, there are 3 holding cells that are located in the administrative area, with windows along the hallway, and therefore administrative segregation and suicide watch. If anybody's on suicide watch, there has to be a correctional officer assigned right outside their cell.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: The Commission did observe an exchange in the holding area between staff and one of the inmates that reflected the ongoing personal

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: dynamics that we experience all the time at Kauai. The relationship between the staff and those who are incarcerated is a very... it's a positive one. It works well.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: But I was very surprised when we did the staffing report to find out that they were the most demoralized staff, and it turned out because of the excessive amount of overtime they're required due to staffing shortages. But still, they're able to maintain a good relationship between staff and inmates.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Module B was added in 1986, and it is made up of larger cells that have a capacity of 4 inmates per cell. And again, in each one of those, there is 4 four-person cells.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: And then there's a very large day room in the center, but we're finding that the staff does not want to mix people from day... from one cell with another cell, so they'll only let people out of their cells for 2 hours out of the day. And so that's more or less bordering on restrictive housing.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: By not allowing them out more than that. And we will continue to work with the facility about the need to have people more... have more out-of-cell time.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: And again, some of them, even 6 person... or 4 people was the, capacity, but, we found that some had more than 4 people in their cell.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Module C has been closed, and Module C was the minimum security housing. It is an L-shaped building with cubicles, and it has been closed in part for renovations. They've done the renovations, but it really is due to a staffing shortage and the low number of individuals who are classified as minimum to be appropriate in that housing.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: So again, this is something we will continue to work with the facility on to see if we can,

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: have more inmates in minimum custody. But again, staffing has been a major problem on Kauai.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Which, once again, underscores how positive the relationship is between the staff and the inmates.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Even given that. Cabins A, B, and C, and many of you realize that these cabins have been on the ground since, Hurricane... soon after Hurricane Aniki. They're not in the best of conditions, but that is really community-based housing, and

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: They continue to be used for both men and women.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: The kitchen. The kitchen, a new kitchen has finally arrived and been connected at, KCCC. It is not a new mess hall, it is just a kitchen, and now they're working on, fixing the mess hall.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: And then attaching it, I think, to the existing kitchen. Now, in the past, the refrigerators and freezers have been outside. That is not unique just to Kauai, and my understanding is they continue to be outside the kitchen itself, the refrigerators and their freezers. So it means that you do have to step outside.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Let's see, there was some comment about... hold on.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: No, I can't find... there was... there was some concern about the, kitchen and where it opened up to, that it,

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: when you go... I'm sorry, I don't have those notes in front of me.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Mark, do you have any other comments about the kitchen?

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mark.patterson.nsw: No, it's still work in progress. When Commissioner Torney says that they just fixed the kitchen, it's really they just created a new cooking area.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Yeah.

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mark.patterson.nsw: about the size of a Mattson container. And it's way better than what it used to... that is way better than what they had, and the safety issues are no longer safety issues that we had with the...

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mark.patterson.nsw: kitchen that was falling apart. However, in the current,

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mark.patterson.nsw: the way that it's managed, the old kitchen still had access from within the facility to access the kitchen, whereas now they need to go outside and enter from a back area. They're still within the perimeter, but it still takes a lot of,

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mark.patterson.nsw: transport... Not transportation, moving inmates around and out within the perimeter to get to the opening of the kitchen, as well as for the refrigeration, management. It's the same... Go ahead.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: I did find the note on that. The note is, the new kitchen faces a perimeter fence, which could provide a security concern. The perimeter fence line is also secured with a padlock. Additionally, the refrigerated food are kept outside due to limited space.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: I'm sorry, I did find that.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Cool.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Okay, so again, what continues to be a major problem on Kauai is the staffing shortages, and we have recommended in the past, and I hope this can be done, but this would have to be done in cahoots with DHERD, the personnel department at the state level, and that is, we would like to see that Kauai can

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: themselves hire emergency hires and expedite that process, because they have had some successful emergency hires that have transferred to full-time positions, and this would help fill up the gaps.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: And, let's see...

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Oh, and we've recommended over a number of years, because of the difficulty with staffing, is if the state could at least try 12-hour shifts on Kauai, that that may attract more people to work in the facilities.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: And that's pretty much so all I have.

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mark.patterson.nsw: One of the positive things about this past tour of the Kauai Community Correctional Center, and yes, they've been experiencing

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mark.patterson.nsw: issues with their staffing. But unlike the other jails.

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mark.patterson.nsw: There seems to be a lot of collaboration going on on the island in Kauai County, between DCR, the judiciary, law enforcement, as their population is way down.

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mark.patterson.nsw: Yeah, very impressive that, you know, that the population is down. We were privileged to be asked by the county's prosecutor to come with us into the facility with her reentry specialist.

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mark.patterson.nsw: And really liked her ideas, and she just really wanted to know what, you know, meet the commissioners and discuss, with us options for diversion of the mental health issues that are going on right now on the island of Kauai.

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mark.patterson.nsw: So it was very, refreshing to speak to a prosecutor who was concerned with overcrowding of the jails.

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mark.patterson.nsw: and then seeking answers for diversion for, the populations that she's having most, issues with in regards to, the jail. Yeah, so, you know, Martha had a...

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mark.patterson.nsw: You have that name in front of you?

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: The what? The names of the people?

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mark.patterson.nsw: Yeah.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Depended, yeah.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Hold on. Sorry, Becky, Becky Lake? Becky Like and Michael Miranda.

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mark.patterson.nsw: Becky Like is the, was the prosecutor, very impressive, and, and Mr. Miranda was her reentry specialist. So the fact that they had a reentry specialist is... is telling.

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Mike Town: Mark?

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mark.patterson.nsw: Yes, Mike.

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Mike Town: Who is the warden now in Kauai? Is it still Jerry Jonah, or who is it?

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Yeah, sorry.

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Mike Town: Good, good, and he knows he comes out of the...

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Mike Town: Out of the ranks. The question I had was.

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Mike Town: padding on the floor of the kitchen in that whole area that... so it's not hard on the feet, the ankles, the backs. Is there now padding in the new kitchen?

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mark.patterson.nsw: I believe that the kitchen is stocked with the normal, you know, Martha, I wanna say they all have those rubber...

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mark.patterson.nsw: Yeah? With the puka...

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: They won't.

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mark.patterson.nsw: So the water falls through, so that... I did see that, Mike, when we were there.

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mark.patterson.nsw: That it wasn't just a hard floor, they did have the matting on it.

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Mike Town: Yeah, because I think that's an OSHA and safety problem. Good, thank you.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: And now that I see Tommy is on board again, Tommy, I don't know when you joined us, but I will say that Module B on Kauai continues to be concerned about the amount of times the inmates spend in their cells.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: that they're only allowed into the day room for 2 hours per day. Occasionally, they get an extra hour, so that... that is restrictive housing.

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mark.patterson.nsw: I appreciate that.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: For that point.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: So I just wanted to stress that to make sure you heard that part, Tommy. Thank you.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Okay.

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mark.patterson.nsw: All right, thank you, Martha, for that report. We want to move on to our, earlier

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mark.patterson.nsw: Realigning our agenda.

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mark.patterson.nsw: Tommy, good, good morning. Thank you for being here. I'll give you the floor at this time.

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Tommy Johnson: Okay, can you guys hear me okay?

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mark.patterson.nsw: Yes.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Yes.

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Tommy Johnson: Okay, so we have a number of, updates, so, I'll give you a brief update, but Sana Munoz-Stepard will provide a more detailed update.

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Tommy Johnson: Next month.

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Tommy Johnson: We were awarded a JAG grant of \$156,000 plus for an initiative that we're doing with our Intake Service Center

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Tommy Johnson: To, develop a pretrial assessment instrument that we hope will give the courts a better feeling that they will then release more folks from pretrial confinement.

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Tommy Johnson: And if necessary, to electronic monitoring, that way maybe we can free up some of the pretrial bid space in our jails.

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Tommy Johnson: So, it's a pilot project. This will be the first year they started. We just got the notification of the award.

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Tommy Johnson: Well, we think that's a step in the right direction. The second thing is, we're working with the facilities, the prisons.

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Tommy Johnson: to look at, having the Makahiki ceremony, the opening and closing this year at all of the prison facilities.

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Tommy Johnson: But we do have some stringent requirements based on the settlement agreement with the federal government that we have to follow with respect to the items that are allowed. So we're currently working with a Native Hawaiian group

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Tommy Johnson: to... who helped out with the Makahiki at Kulani, to help... and also on... in Arizona, to help us, spread the wealth, for lack of a better term, across the prisons statewide. So I'll keep you guys updated on that.

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Tommy Johnson: I think we have... go ahead.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Can I ask a question about that? You said settlement agreement. What settlement agreement is this?

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Tommy Johnson: There was a settlement agreement in the early 2000s. I gave it to Christian... to Christian, the settlement agreement and the modified settlement agreement. Inmates in Arizona have filed suit regarding the ability to access Hawaiian cultural programs

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Tommy Johnson: and particularly the Makahiki inmateful Rome was one of the inmates, I'm not mistaken. And so there was a settlement agreement of what...

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Tommy Johnson: we... what the state would be required to do with respect to the Makahiki, and I think it was, the Native Hawaiian Corporation, legal corporation.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Yeah, legal corporation.

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Tommy Johnson: lawsuit. So, they came to a settlement agreement with the federal government, and we've been following that ever since, until we're just looking at now doing that, the same maqueak open and closing ceremonies here in the, prisons.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Okay. Thank you.

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Tommy Johnson: You're welcome. So there's a... the biggest changes to the OCCC project. So, there's a couple of changes. One, I... I notified the Commission previously that we had decided to remove the CTC from the

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Tommy Johnson: from the new OCCC site, and to instead raise and rebuild the La Maka Work Furlough Center, rename that to the La Maka

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Tommy Johnson: re-integr... Re-entry, reintegration, re-entry and reintegration Center.

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Tommy Johnson: And then increase the bed space to 240 beds.

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Tommy Johnson: So... that would mean all the folks in Module 20, when the construction was completed, would move over

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Tommy Johnson: And we would consolidate operations to have the Intake Service Center, Oahu Intake Service Center, at that same location, so we could do the community supervision, reintegration all in one... at one location. And so we think that'd be a more efficient use of our resources and operations, and it'll give us the bed space capacity

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Tommy Johnson: to move people downstream faster. We just have to get them there, to be honest.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: So the capacity of the current Lamaka is 96, correct?

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: And so, how many... what'd you say the final bed count would be in the new facility?

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Tommy Johnson: 240.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: 240.

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Tommy Johnson: Right.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Okay.

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Tommy Johnson: So, that includes, I want to make it clear, that includes also the 90 possible bears out of Module 20. There's 45 and 45 on each side.

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Tommy Johnson: Right now, there's only... we're only using one side of that, because we have some, records that the FBI wanted to... wanted to review stored on the other side.

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Tommy Johnson: So,

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Tommy Johnson: we're increasing the bag space capacity, up to 240. We think that's a... that's a decent number, and that also will help us move people faster from Wayava and Kulani downstream.

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Tommy Johnson: The biggest change to OCCC is, while we're proceeding with the project to request the funding next year.

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Tommy Johnson: we're reducing the bed space to 700, but we're going to put in a complete infrastructure for the 1,000 beds, so that if we do have to build on later, then we have that infrastructure already there, which will save tens of millions of dollars. Now, this is... this is based on two things.

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Tommy Johnson: One, we're negotiating with the Bureau of Prisons to increase our bed space capacity at the FDC, and two, if bail reform does take place by the time the facility is completed, then we may not need 1,000 beds.

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Tommy Johnson: So it gives us the option that, one, we have the 700-plus beds.

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Tommy Johnson: will need for sure. If bail reform takes place, by the time the facility is built, then we may not have to build onto it, but we'll have the capacity to, and so there's no... there should be no discussion about the departments building a super jail, because we're not. We're actually trying to methodically

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Tommy Johnson: figure out where the needs are and build a facility that we need that'll fit our needs moving down the line. There's a lot of misinformation out there about the department building a super jail that we've only

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Tommy Johnson: based it on the population today. No, we've done the population projections, we'll update the population projections. We're doing a lot more than what the public can see, but unfortunately, we need to do a better job of

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Tommy Johnson: getting that information out there. So now that we have the concurrent Resolution 60 that requires the request that we do a quarterly update.

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Tommy Johnson: on the OCCC project. Frankly, I don't think there'll be much change quarterly because of the nature of the project, but we will provide the first update in a forum in July, as required... as requested in the SCR.

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Tommy Johnson: I guess what we need to do is figure out, from the introducers of the SER, what exactly

are you looking for in the way of information that will be put out?

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Tommy Johnson: So we want to make sure we get it correctly, and we provide the information that they want released out to the public, and to anybody who would participate. It'll be a public forum, so we're looking at trying to schedule the,

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Tommy Johnson: Capitol Auditorium for that, for those presentations.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Do we currently have anybody or have an agreement with the Federal Detention Center?

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Tommy Johnson: We have an MOA for up to 100 beds.

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Tommy Johnson: The problem is, though, their requirements are so stringent, That they tend to...

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Tommy Johnson: not take 8 out of 10 people who refer to them. So, I'm trying to schedule a meeting with the warden now. I have a call into the Bureau of Prisons, because actually, the MOA is signed out of DC, not at the facility level.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Yeah.

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Tommy Johnson: So I want to try to figure out if we can meet with them to discuss, one, increase in the bed space capacity, and two, the rate is a little over \$135 a day at the FDC, with annual increases of 2-4%, which is determined by the Bureau of Prisons.

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Tommy Johnson: So, to work with them to see, okay, what...

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Tommy Johnson: to change the language of the MOU2 to figure out what type of offender will they take. So, right now, they will take those sentenced misdemeanors and sentenced felons. So, we're trying to figure out what is that... what is that category that they won't take, and two, their medication formula is different than the state's.

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Tommy Johnson: So we're going to try to work with them on the medication formulary, and then we, of course, have to do all the transports, the court transports that need to take place. They won't do the transports for us.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Okay, so do we currently have anybody at the Federal Detention Center?

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Tommy Johnson: We may have one.

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Tommy Johnson: Okay. And that's only because the feds picked them up and took them there.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: And is it a... what, he has an ICE detainer or something?

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Tommy Johnson: No, he, was the inmate recently indicted by the federal government in the article you might have seen with the FBI had... we're working with the FBI

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Tommy Johnson: on an investigation into drug going into halava?

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Tommy Johnson: So, he was the inmate that was indicted. He was picked up by the U.S. Marshals and transferred, and I want to make it clear that is not the only investigation we have going with respect to, contraband coming into the facilities.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: So now he sounds like he's a federal pre-trialer, so hopefully you're not paying for him.

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Tommy Johnson: No, we're not paying for him. Once they picked him up with the writ, then he belongs to them.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Yeah, yeah. And, I do have a question about replacing La Maka. When you're replacing La Maka, what are you going to do for the male furlough program on Oahu?

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Tommy Johnson: We're gonna move them... we're gonna move them to Module 20, because Module 20 is underutilized now.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Okay.

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Tommy Johnson: And we will move them out of Module 20. We might have to spread out a little bit into another module, but I'm working with John Sell, the warden of OCCC, on when that... when that time comes, we phase them over.

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Tommy Johnson: And then do the build as quickly as possible. So, I want to make it clear, the raising and rebuilding of the MACA will take priority over OCCC, because we need to have those bed spaces in place.

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Tommy Johnson: Before the facility is built.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Okay. Thank you.

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Mike Town: Martha and Tom, you have a brief question. Tommy, FDC is operated pretty much by Bureau of Prisons, the Feds, is that right?

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Tommy Johnson: Yeah, they own it, yes.

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Mike Town: Okay, and...

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Mike Town: when I was on the parole board... parole commission, we got into... into misunderstandings, or I wasn't sure

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Mike Town: Food, light, exercise, because it's basically... it's a silo. Doesn't have... doesn't have a, are you comfortable, or are we comfortable that people's health is being taken care of in the FTC? Or is it... is it a stand-alone situation?

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Tommy Johnson: Well, I think the only concern I have with the FTC, to be honest with you, one, is that they don't have a lot of programming at the FTC, because it's a detention facility, and two, in our discussions with BOP, we may have to somehow augment the healthcare staff there.

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Tommy Johnson: And then the last thing I'm concerned is, of course, we might have to create an additional transportation team, because they don't do transports for us.

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Tommy Johnson: So depending on the number of inmates we put there and what their court schedules look

like, we might have to create one or two more transport teams, but that would only be temporary because if, again, we're building the OCCC out for 1,000 bed capacity, but we're reducing the actual bed base capacity to 700. So if bail reform takes place.

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Tommy Johnson: As I suspect at some point it will, and then,

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Tommy Johnson: OCCC is not scheduled to be done completion until late 2031, early 2032, then

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Tommy Johnson: Then no harm, no foul, because now we don't have 300 extra beds if...

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Tommy Johnson: But we have the capacity to go there, and we have a place for the inmates to... for the short-term inmates to be, which is the FDC. I think for us, we need to look at what are those guys that do not need a lot of programming, who are relatively healthy, whose medical needs can be met.

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Tommy Johnson: Those would be the ones we would look at transferring to the FTC temporarily. It wouldn't be the guys who have a lot of medical needs. We would keep them at Halava, and I wanted to make it clear, too, and I should have mentioned this earlier, so my apologies.

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Tommy Johnson: even though we're reducing the bed space capacity down to a little over 700, we're keeping the infirmary and the medical beds the same because we seeded our population of folks coming in with mental health and medical issues needing to be more in an infirmary setting. So what you're going to see is... Yeah, go ahead.

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Tommy Johnson: I thought I heard someone say some. Okay.

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Tommy Johnson: So...

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Mike Town: You know, my phone decided to ring.

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Tommy Johnson: All right. Okay. If you look at... I've been working with Christian on the,

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Tommy Johnson: the population of minimums at Halawa. There's a... there's a good-sized population of over 60,

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Tommy Johnson: who are in an infirmary setting who can't move on to a lower level facility because they need the level of care at the FDC. So what we're trying to do is create a large enough infirmary and medical bed setting at the new OCCC to fit the needs of all those folks coming in. Right now, if you've been to OCCC, we don't have a true infirmary.

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Tommy Johnson: We have a corner somewhere, we have a few beds. We're trying to convert one of the modules now, temporarily, into a... into an infirmary, but the new infirmary will be able to meet the needs of that population.

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Mike Town: Tommy, my concern is that the folks at FDC get proper nutrition, because it is a

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Mike Town: kind of a cyto, and proper exercise, and proper sun. And I think Bob Murst knows way more than I know about that. He said, if you're in that kind of facility, you've got to really have maybe even a special diet. I don't know if that's correct or not, but I'm just passing that on for what it's worth.

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Tommy Johnson: Well, we'll pass the... the feds have a similar menu schedule as we do. We have a 6-week cycle, and we provide 8 different types of diets.

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Tommy Johnson: So that would be one of the things the medical staff, and we contract with a dietitian that will work with the FDC to see what are the dietary needs of the folks that we want to transfer over there, versus if they can meet their dietary needs. If they can't, then they won't transfer over. We'll keep them where they are to make sure they get the nutrition that they

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Tommy Johnson: they need to for whatever condition they might have. Or it could be religious diets as well, because we have quite a few people on religious diets.

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Mike Town: Thank you.

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Tommy Johnson: You're welcome.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: I have a question for, Tommy, Mark.

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Tommy Johnson: Europe.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Okay, Tommy, on your pilot project, regarding the pretrial assessment instrument.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Is that gonna apply to all circuits, or only certain circuits? Because this affects a pretrial population.

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Tommy Johnson: I believe initially it's going to be only certain circuits, I think it's two, but I'll let Sana update the Commission next week, she'll come in, because we have a lot of updates to provide, too, on the reentry side of the house, because of the \$4 million that we received from the legislature. So she'll update the legislature with respect to contracts for that

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Tommy Johnson: 4 million, and this will be one of the highlights, will be the pre-trial assessment instrument, and she has another surprise I'll let her talk to you guys about.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Yeah, I would hope that at least, you know, HCCC has a larger pretrial population overcrowding.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: So I would hope, well, you would include HCCC, or at least look at, basically, the stats among these circuits.

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Tommy Johnson: Yeah, just so you know, we just took, the former, Acting Chief Justice McKenna and the Third Circuit Court Judges and the Court and Deputy Courts Administrator through, ACCC and, Kulani.

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Tommy Johnson: Oh, so you just.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: That's awake.

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Tommy Johnson: A week before last.

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Tommy Johnson: I asked the Deputy Courts Administrator to schedule an appointment with me for the new Chief Justice to go over a bunch of issues with him, particularly putting a multipurpose courthouse in any new facility we build, but also talking to him about the jail diversion and the bail issue, because we have a lot of folks in custody with \$15, \$25, \$50 bail.

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Tommy Johnson: And we're spending, you know, \$230 a day on those folks when their needs could be

better served in the community. And this is one of the reasons why, Sana and Kelsey, who is our acting,

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Tommy Johnson: intake service and administrator, who's from the Big Island, by the way, this is why we, put in the application for the JAG grant, I'm sorry, the AG's grant, and so we got approved, we asked for \$178,000, we got approved for \$156,000 and change, and that'll be sufficient.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Okay, thank you. I have... I presented on our legislative bills, and you might be aware that SCR89, which requests the Commission.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: to establish an advisory committee to develop recommendations for the implementation of alternative models for rehabilitation and restorative justice on Oahu, and we will be doing that because it's a concurrent resolution. But also, the SCR60 passed for DCR,

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: to, provide an update on the findings of the proof-of-concept study entitled Breaking Cycles.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: So are you folks responding to that, since it is a concurrent resolution?

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Tommy Johnson: Well, that'll be the first presentation of that will be in July, right?

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Tommy Johnson: Okay. And then... and then 4 months... 3 months later, 4 months later, we do another one. So yeah, we are preparing for that. We have a meeting scheduled next week with the key players, but I want to make it clear, and I tried to explain this to the legislature.

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Tommy Johnson: The Breaking Cycles report addresses the system as a whole, not just the OCCC

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Tommy Johnson: Yeah. And so, when we looked at all the recommendations, we took two pages of the recommendations and provided them to... that we felt was appropriate, and provided them to DAGS and our consultants to include in the planning and design for OCCC. So, I want... I want to stress to the advisory panel

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Tommy Johnson: that the Breaking Cycles report is a system-wide report, and it's not just all on DCR, it's really the courts need to be spoken to, the prosecutors and police need to be spoken to and brought into the fold in order to do jail deflection and diversion.

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Tommy Johnson: Those are... those are areas, on the SEMS model, 0 and 1, I have no control over.

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Tommy Johnson: That's really for the initial police contact with the person and diversion at that point to a crisis center.

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Tommy Johnson: or first appearance before the court, then the court decides to do some kind of diversion.

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Tommy Johnson: Once they come to us, then there's limited... I don't have the ability to release them. That's really up to the courts and HPA.

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Tommy Johnson: But what I can do is, whatever we can do, we will on our end to try to get people out as quickly as possible that will not... without justifying... without jeopardizing public safety. So we'll provide all that in the... in the presentation of where we stand and

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Tommy Johnson: provide the overview and remind the audience, whoever shows up, is that the Breaking Cycles report is about the system, not just DCR, not about a single facility.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: But the breaking cycles report does have a number of recommendations that can be implemented by the department that do not require a new facility. They could be implemented today.

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Tommy Johnson: Yeah, no, that's correct, and we're looking at them, and some of the things we can do, and some we can't.

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Tommy Johnson: We took two pages of the recommendations specifically for the design of OCCC. That doesn't mean we're not looking at the rest of the report again for each of the facilities and our re-entry efforts, because we are.

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Tommy Johnson: So this is why we went for the grant for the pretrial assessment instrument. So I think when Sana provides an update, you guys will see that there's a lot of things we're doing now that we didn't have the resources of the staff before. We're still short on staffing.

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Tommy Johnson: In our reentry office, but we have funding now and resources, so we're trying to make that connectivity to the community and community-based groups out there to help us

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Tommy Johnson: successfully, helped these guys re-enter back into society. And when I say guys, I mean both the males and the females.

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Tommy Johnson: Not just one.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Oh, thank you.

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R. Mark Browning: I... I agree with you, Director, that it is a system...

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R. Mark Browning: A system change that needs to go forward, and it's not just the, your department.

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R. Mark Browning: So I guess what my question is, is where are we, where are you folks

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R. Mark Browning: And coordinating with the judiciary, which is fundamentally a very important part of Achieving these particular goals.

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Tommy Johnson: Well, we meet every month with the judiciary, as does the prosecutors.

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Tommy Johnson: To look at diversion and deflection. And I... I already asked us to meet with the new Chief Justice through the Deputy Court's Administrator, and waiting to hear back for that. And so, during that meeting, I plan to take the leadership team to the meeting, and we'll... and I'll let the Chief Justice know where there's a number of issues we want to discuss, and so he'll... he will bring the right people to the table as well.

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R. Mark Browning: Who do you meet with right now?

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Tommy Johnson: Right now, we meet with, Daylon Rose Heather, who's the Deputy Courts Administrator. We meet with,

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Tommy Johnson: The guy on the big island, I forget his name.

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Tommy Johnson: He is Rob's boss.

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Tommy Johnson: But he's a deputy courts administrator on the Big Island. The chief administrative and criminal court judges, show up for the meetings when they can, based on their calendars.

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Tommy Johnson: And then we have the prosecutors at the table, we have ourselves at the table, we have HPA, the Hawaii Protelling Authority at the table, we have DOH at the table, and we have Dr. Michael Champion out of the Governor's office at the table as well.

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R. Mark Browning: I think you should request that

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R. Mark Browning: The judiciary appoint a judge to also serve on that committee?

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R. Mark Browning: Oh, that's a good point. Because a lot of times, from my experience in serving the judiciary, that kind of information, at least the dialogue that's going on, and the goals that are trying to be achieved are not cast on to judiciary... when I say judiciary leadership, I mean the judges themselves.

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R. Mark Browning: The second question I have is pretrial assessment tool. What... have you coordinated that particular instrument with the judiciary's probation and parole? I'm sorry, probation department?

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Tommy Johnson: I'm not sure, that's why I didn't want to speak too much to it, because Sana is the... she's a SME with her staff, so they're going to provide... she's going to provide a presentation next month regarding that. I'll relay these questions to her so she's prepared to answer them.

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R. Mark Browning: Yeah, I think that's a good thing to sort of...

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R. Mark Browning: figure out, because I know that,

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R. Mark Browning: probation... judiciary's probation uses their own assessment tool, and, trying to coordinate so that there is

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R. Mark Browning: The same language is being spoken, because different assessment tools.

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Tommy Johnson: Yeah.

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R. Mark Browning: Work differently would be critical in terms of making progress on this.

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Tommy Johnson: Yeah. Well, this is off the subject some, but one of the other things I wanted to address with the Chief Justice is that

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Tommy Johnson: A lot of times when the probationers are given a sanction, they're just doing dead time. So, if they're going to be in our custody, I want some idea of what the expectations from the judiciary with respect to what type of assessments do they want us to do? Would the...

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Tommy Johnson: courts consider invalid, and then would they support the recommendations that come out of those assessments? Because they're... sometimes they're doing 6 months, they're doing 8 months, and they're just sitting there, and it's not really good for anybody.

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R. Mark Browning: Right. I agree with you. I think that's a, worthy inquiry to make.

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Tommy Johnson: Nope.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: So, Tommy, with the grant that you got, it is also gonna... the initial part is developing the assessment tool, or are they gonna be importing an assessment tool and trying it out?

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Tommy Johnson: They're going to be developing an assessment tool.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Okay.

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Tommy Johnson: And so that's where.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Judiciary would be good to have them.

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Tommy Johnson: Yeah, so I'll relay this to two... I'll relay it to... I'm sure Terrence and Kelsey already thought about this, because they both work closely with the judiciary, but I'll make sure that, the Depth R, step persona covers it.

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Tommy Johnson: But my understanding is, it is to develop a tool, and then we show proof of concept for the tool that it works, and then we seek funding down the line. But I think this initial year will be just the development of the tool itself.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Yeah.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Okay.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Your mic is off.

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mark.patterson.nsw: Thank you, tommy, is there anything else you want to share with us?

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Tommy Johnson: Yeah, well, with the... with the Act 292 on the Restrictive Housing Bill, so as you know, the Restrictive Housing Bill, it will be difficult for the Department to comply with all the provisions of the bill.

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Tommy Johnson: And unfortunately, Representative, Bellotti had canceled all of the meetings that the working group

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Tommy Johnson: we're supposed to have up to the end of the session. I had introduced a bill to amend parts of the,

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Tommy Johnson: the bill... parts of the law, but it didn't get a hearing. So, it would be difficult for the department to comply with all the provisions of the bill, but we will be able to comply with some provisions of the bill, so I think I'll work with Christian when she comes back, so you guys can... so the Commission can see that we're doing what we can with the resources we have.

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Tommy Johnson: It really... because we only have one medium security male prison and one female prison, it's hard for us to move folks around at the higher levels of custody, because they only have... they have really nowhere to go except that facility or to the mainland.

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Tommy Johnson: So, I just wanted to say that, and then there was a bill before the legislature that died in conference that required us to bring inmates back.

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Tommy Johnson: I think it was 30% in 3 years, it may have been amended, but I want to make it clear, because we don't control the population of the folks sent to us.

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Tommy Johnson: then it's hard for me, as a director, any director for that matter, in corrections, to say what our population is going to be a year from now, two years from now, three years from now, and be required to bring folks back, a certain percentage of the folks back.

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Tommy Johnson: without considering the amount of folks in our custody at the different facilities. So, while that bill died this year, I suspect it will come up next year, and we'll try to fight the good fight again, because we want to bring everybody back.

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Tommy Johnson: For sure, but because we don't control the population, so maybe when I'm talking to the Chief Justice, I'll talk to him about what

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Tommy Johnson: authority, if any, can the courts give to the director of the Department of Correction and Rehabilitation with respect to the pretrial population? Because that's where our biggest concern is in the jails, because it's bleeding over into the sentence population. What can we do to safely

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Tommy Johnson: help the courts make an informed decision, but at the same time, what can the courts do to help the director of the Correction and Rehabilitation manage that population without negatively affecting public safety?

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Tommy Johnson: That's it, I'm spent, guys.

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mark.patterson.nsw: Thank you, Tommy. It's still early in the day.

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Tommy Johnson: Alright, good.

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mark.patterson.nsw: Alright guys, any more questions for the director at this time?

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mark.patterson.nsw: You know, as we lean into our next agenda item, which is 10, public comment, I'll just open it up at this time for those of you who are in the room and online for any comment that you want to make to the commissioners on the DCR report, as well as any other issues that were not on the agenda, this is the time and moment to do that.

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mark.patterson.nsw: George, help me out with what you see. Thank you.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Either one of you have any comments or things you want us to discuss in the future?

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mark.patterson.nsw: Brady, go ahead.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Women, we're in the room right now.

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mark.patterson.nsw: Okay, go ahead.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Come stand over here so people can see you.

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mark.patterson.nsw: Thank you, Martha.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: And introduce yourself, please. Yes.

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mark.patterson.nsw: polygoo.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Hi, Director, my name is Charles Wagner-Smith, here is representing Ohanao Pakele, and we'd like to thank you for your efforts in promoting the Makahiki ceremonies in Halava and Segaro.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: And as we speak today, we're meeting with the warden and other staff at Kulani, and we're opening up more olelo and spiritual activities up there at Kulani, and we really think this is a

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: foundational step for the inmates in all the facilities, and try to help them rehabilitate and get back into society on a good footing, and put their time served to,

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: good use instead of, just warehousing. And on behalf of the whole board, we'd like to thank you for everybody's efforts, especially at Alava and Segaro.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: And, we hope to be working with you in the future, and thank you so much. And helping us expand. Yes, yes.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Thank you.

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mark.patterson.nsw: Thank you, Mr. Smith. Kat, go ahead.

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KAT BRADY: For next... for, something not on the agenda, but I would like the Commission to talk about, is the SHIP program.

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KAT BRADY: It's not really a program, it's lockdown, and it's in Saguaro.

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KAT BRADY: And people have died there. It... I know that they reduced the population somewhat, but to be incarcerated for 23 hours, 22 hours, and 21 hours is just...

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KAT BRADY: it really affects somebody's mental health. So, I hope that the Commission actually investigates what's going on, keeps us apprised of how many people are in there, and what is actually happening in there.

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KAT BRADY: Thank you.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: We...

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mark.patterson.nsw: Yeah, we'll follow up on that.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: I want to make a comment about that, too. Relating to that, Tommy, it's my understanding, if Hawaii passes a law, such as Act 292, that our contract must conform with that act, correct?

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Tommy Johnson: Yes.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: So, we have, now time limits on restrictive housing, so that's going to impact the SHIP program, is my understanding.

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Tommy Johnson: That is correct.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Okay.

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Mike Town: A footnote from me here.

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Mike Town: Some people regard it, and some courts

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Mike Town: Restrictive housing might be some kind of cruel and unusual punishment under the Eighth Amendment of the United States Constitution. I take that seriously. Constitution being the moral imperative of this country, regardless of what some politicians say, so I think it's really important we tackle that.

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mark.patterson.nsw: You might... Thank you, Kat. Carriette?

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Carrie Ann Shirota: Yes, thank you, Commissioners. I just want to make some comments.

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Carrie Ann Shirota: some things to put on the agenda. I think this is in past meetings, this relates to the proposed new jail construction. There had been made mention previously that there allegedly is a report, an engineering report, that has concluded that

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Carrie Ann Shirota: The OCCC at its current site is beyond renovation. It was the subject of an op-ed piece this past week in the Honolulu Advertiser, and if that can be asked for, because I believe that the Commission asked for that document in the past.

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Carrie Ann Shirota: And if you have not received it, it can be put back on the radar screen, and it can be shared publicly with the community, because that's really relevant if we're going to spend over a billion dollars for a public-private prison contract that we actually have exhausted and have conducted due diligence.

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Carrie Ann Shirota: Second, I'm wondering at the future, this is relating to, again, this jail construction, what is the status, and to hear from the director, negotiations. On one hand, we hear we're proceeding with the

new construction, but we've also heard more than once

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Carrie Ann Shirota: that the governor has been negotiating with the federal government, to perhaps purchase the FDC. So exactly what is the plan, and what is the status of that? The community should be appraised of that.

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Carrie Ann Shirota: Third, in terms of pretrial fairness, we've heard that there were two bills that died, one of them which mirrored, changes in some other jurisdictions, such as Harris County in Texas, that significantly reduced the pretrial population. And while I'm encouraged to hear that we're looking at downsizing the jail.

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Carrie Ann Shirota: We still need to address the drivers of pretrial population, which is to divert people in the first place.

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R. Mark Browning: Right.

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Carrie Ann Shirota: When you look at the record of the pretrial bill, we have a lot of opposition, sometimes from other government stakeholders. So when we look at systems, we need the cooperation of police, attorney general, oversight commission, DCR,

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Carrie Ann Shirota: all of the actors and community, and I keep seeing consistently opposition from prosecution, attorney general, etc. I don't see DCR's name on this, but I also do not see DCR supporting pretrial diversion. And so when I'm hearing that we don't have the authority, we can't control, come to our doors.

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Carrie Ann Shirota: The department has the authority to support pretrial fairness, and I haven't seen it in practice.

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Carrie Ann Shirota: And relating to that, I've heard about this possible new instrument. New instruments of validation can be problematic. Sometimes it's not validated, there can be racial disparities.

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Carrie Ann Shirota: But I don't know what instrument is being used, but I know that New Jersey has been very successful in reducing its pretrial population, and that was led by their Chief Justice, Stuart Rabiner, a former federal prosecutor.

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Carrie Ann Shirota: And they have sustained decreases in pretrial population, and they use an instrument called PSA, which is provided for free from Arnold Ventures. Now, I'm not essentially saying we need to follow that path, but if the department is looking at implementing

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Carrie Ann Shirota: some sort of instrument. If something's free, and it has been successful, we should look at that system-wide.

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Carrie Ann Shirota: And otherwise, again, just want to thank the Commission for having these conversations, for bringing things out into the open. And just last, on SCR89, this advisory body that's being created, will that in any way

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Carrie Ann Shirota: Will the department slow down and stop this process and let that move forward and hear more about alternatives in diversion, restorative justice, or will they keep going full speed to build this new

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Carrie Ann Shirota: Jail. Thank you.

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mark.patterson.nsw: Thank you, Kyrian.

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mark.patterson.nsw: Appreciate that. I'm just curious, Tommy, if I can ask real quick, you still there?

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Yeah, Tommy's still there.

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Tommy Johnson: I will not entertain questions from the audience, nor should the Commission ask me questions from the audience, because it's not on the agenda.

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mark.patterson.nsw: That's fine, Tommy. That's fine.

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Tommy Johnson: Okay.

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mark.patterson.nsw: Moving, thank you. Is there anybody else on there, George, I didn't see?

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R. Mark Browning: Can I just respond a little bit to what Carrie Ann just said?

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mark.patterson.nsw: Yeah, square.

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R. Mark Browning: I mean, I think, you know, the idea that Mr. Johnson broke... broke...

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R. Mark Browning: brokered about an assessment is one that's really, really complicated, because the judiciary doesn't use any type of assessment that the department

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R. Mark Browning: Is proposing, or would propose, would be a...

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R. Mark Browning: The judiciary has their own assessment.

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R. Mark Browning: risk assessment tool that's used by probation. And any recommendation to a judge when we talk about how an inmate or an individual processes through the system, whether they're diverted or not diverted, is basically

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R. Mark Browning: It comes from... that information comes from a probation officer who presents to the judge at a particular type of hearing.

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R. Mark Browning: So, we're a long, long ways from even having, we just need to know a lot more about what the department is doing with respect to their proposed assessment, but even as it's

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R. Mark Browning: Even if this particular assessment was ready to go, the space between how it would affect the system as is

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R. Mark Browning: today is remarkably huge, and I don't see it happening

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R. Mark Browning: In any form or fashion, at least in the current circumstances that exist, as the judiciary works.

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mark.patterson.nsw: Thank you for that comment.

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01:16:39.370 --> 01:16:40.180

mark.patterson.nsw: Work.

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mark.patterson.nsw: Whoa.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: You know, can I make a comment, too? It's a separate one, but this is about the support of prosecutors, because your experience on Kauai with the current prosecutor, you know, they have a re-entry specialist.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: On the Big Island, for 40 years, under John Ono, J.K. Moore, Charlene Eboshi, Mitch Roth, they always had social workers on staff.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: And one example is that, Charlene initiated that social workers from their office would go up and hold, group meetings at Kulani with people soon to be released. The current prosecutor doesn't do any of that.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: And how one personality can make such a difference in how the system was moving forward as a whole. It's really... it's sad.

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R. Mark Browning: Yeah, that's true. Absolutely true.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: That's it. That's my soapbox.

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mark.patterson.nsw: Ron, anything you want to see, Ron?

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Nope, thank you.

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mark.patterson.nsw: Mike, anything else?

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Oh, someone's right.

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Mike Town: good.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: No, Kim Coco has a question.

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Kim Coco Iwamoto: Thank you so much. I just wanted to clarify, the agenda mentions

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Kim Coco Iwamoto: Overview of Commission's legislative priority.

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Kim Coco Iwamoto: And it also mentions items to be discussed is monthly update from Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation. Those two agenda items can be broadly interpreted.

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Kim Coco Iwamoto: So that, Carrie Ann's question... there is room to answer Carrie Ann's question. This has to do with one of the legislative... is it not? Was this...

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Kim Coco Iwamoto: Was the cons... was the issue that, Karrion brought up, was it never on the Commission's legislative priorities? Did it not intersect? And then secondly, does it not also

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Kim Coco Iwamoto: relate to the Department of Correction Rehabilitation's update, monthly update?

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mark.patterson.nsw: Some of them did, some of them did not.

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01:18:47.970 --> 01:18:49.650

mark.patterson.nsw: Yeah.

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01:18:49.650 --> 01:18:55.509

Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: The engineering report does not fit under anything on our current, agenda.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: You know, so we can...

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01:18:58.050 --> 01:19:16.270

Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: again, put it on a future agenda, but not on the current agenda. The status of the new OCCC that, Tommy did give us an update on that. The question about will we buy the FDC, I don't see how that fits in our current agenda. But we can add it to the next meeting.

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Jung Min (Charles) Lee: And just to clarify, this is Deputy Attorney General Charles Lee. I just want to clarify, Director Johnson does not have to answer the public's question. He's here to work with the Commission, and the Commission has

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Jung Min (Charles) Lee: the,

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Jung Min (Charles) Lee: the subpoena power, but... and which requires a formal vote and process, but not an informal Q&A during a meeting. Just wanted to clarify.

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Kim Coco Iwamoto: Thank you so much for the clarification, I appreciate it.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: So if you'd like us to add things on the next agenda, please state them now, to make sure we can address them.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: So we already have what Carrie Ann is interested in.

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mark.patterson.nsw: Yeah, well, or you can email us, Representative.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Yeah.

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KAT BRADY: the SHIP program.

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mark.patterson.nsw: Yeah, that's... I got that down, Kat. The ship doesn't monitor. There are things that are being worked on, I'm not ready to report on, but we are aware of the SHIP program, and we are aware of the contract monitor.

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mark.patterson.nsw: But we will discuss that in the next meeting. Commissioners, when you look at the agenda for the next meeting, it falls on Kamehameha Day.

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mark.patterson.nsw: Which is a state holiday.

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mark.patterson.nsw: So, I'm looking at the following week of June 18th. Is that okay?

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R. Mark Browning: Yep.

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mark.patterson.nsw: Okay.

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01:20:44.350 --> 01:20:51.820
Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Well, I mean, someone else is checking, Ron is checking. Yeah, June 18th's okay with me. Okay, it's okay with... Ron, it's okay with me?

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Mike Town, is it okay with you?

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Mike Town: Okay with me.

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mark.patterson.nsw: Thank you, everyone. So we're looking at June 18th at 10 o'clock a.m.

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mark.patterson.nsw: Maui. And George, make sure that if they knew we were coming, let them know we're changing, MCCC visit to, the 18th.

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01:21:12.020 --> 01:21:13.490
Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Perfect, yes, thank you, Chair.

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01:21:13.490 --> 01:21:14.040
mark.patterson.nsw: Yep.

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01:21:15.830 --> 01:21:30.139
mark.patterson.nsw: with no further, thank you everyone for being here and being a part of this discussion. We appreciate your commitment to, the efforts of the Commission and all that we do, and thank you for your work in assisting us with the legislative,

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mark.patterson.nsw: journey that we just completed. We see you all in about... in the next month. So you folks have a nice month until we see you again. Aloha!

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R. Mark Browning: Woha.

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Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission: Thank you.

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KAT BRADY: Thank you.