

The Judiciary, State of Hawai'i

Testimony to the House Committee on Judiciary

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Bill No. and Title: House Bill No. 786, House Draft 1 Relating to Mental Health Examinations

Purpose: Requires the Department of Health to submit a report on improving and expediting mental health evaluations of specific defendants. (HB786 HD1)

Judiciary's Position:

The Judiciary supports House Bill No. 786, House Draft 1. We share the goal of improving and expediting mental health evaluations of specific defendants, and are willing to participate in this important study.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.