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**Via electronic submission**

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President of the Senate  
State Capitol, Room 409  
Honolulu, HI 96813

The Honorable Scott Saiki  
Speaker of the House of Representatives  
State Capitol, Room 431  
Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear President Kouchi and Speaker Saiki:

Pursuant to Act 243, Session Laws of Hawai'i 2022, the Judiciary is transmitting a copy of the *Report on the Women's Court Pilot Program*.

In accordance with Section 93-16, Hawai'i Revised Statutes, we are also transmitting a copy of this report to the Legislative Reference Bureau Library.

The public may view an electronic copy of this report on the Judiciary's website at the following link: [https://www.courts.state.hi.us/news\\_and\\_reports/reports/reports](https://www.courts.state.hi.us/news_and_reports/reports/reports).

Should you have any questions regarding this report, please feel free to contact Karen Takahashi of the Judiciary's Legislative Coordinating Office at 808-539-4896, or via e-mail at [Karen.T.Takahashi@courts.hawaii.gov](mailto:Karen.T.Takahashi@courts.hawaii.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Rodney A. Maile".

Rodney A. Maile  
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- mentoring;
- housing support; and
- a cultural component.

Each component of the curriculum will include speakers on the topic and hands-on activities. For example, the cultural component will include the incorporation of Hawaiian chant and dance to facilitate participants' bio-psychosocial well-being.

Once funding for the program was received, the recruitment for social workers and clerical staff began and are currently being conducted. It is projected that staffing of the program should be completed by the end of the year. Program participants are anticipated to be selected by the end of the year as well. It is estimated that the Women's Court pilot program will start in the beginning of 2023 with approximately 20, high-risk/high-need women and that an increase in the numbers will occur as the program continues.

Finally, as noted previously, a data system is being researched and will be purchased to collect information and assist in the analysis of work of the program. The following are some of the data points to be collected:

- the number of women accepted into the pilot program;
- the number of women who were eligible to participate in the pilot program but who could not be accepted into the program because of limitations;
- the number of women completing the pilot program;
- the number of women who were removed from the pilot program;
- evaluation of the group process through pre- and post-tests.