

Are We Winning the Drug War?

Hawai`i's rising incarceration rate is driven by the War on Drugs.

Hawai`i exports more than half of our people to private U.S. prisons.

Hawai`i's female prison population is almost twice the national average.

Hawai`i is the largest customer of Corrections Corp. of America at \$50 million a year.

Join us for an exciting discussion on the root cause of much of Hawai`i's crime.

Is incarceration the best answer to our social problems?

Do our current policies prevent drug trafficking?

Do our current policies prevent drug abuse?

Is drug prohibition working?

Our three distinguished speakers will talk about Hawai`i's H.O.P.E. program, Intermediate Sanctions (sanctions other than prison), and the War on Drugs:

Judge Steven Alm – 1st Circuit Court Judge – Honolulu

Chair of Intermediate Sanctions Policy Council and Founder of H.O.P.E. Program

Judge James P. Gray – California Superior Court Judge

Author of "Why Our Drug Laws Have Failed and What We Can Do About It"

Eric E. Sterling – President, Criminal Justice Policy Fdn.

Liaison to American Bar Association's Committee on Substance Abuse

TUESDAY, JULY 17, 2007

6:00 – 8:00 PM

Hawai`i State Capitol Room 325

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"There is no other medical condition for which we would tolerate such huge numbers unable to obtain the treatment they need."

Former Department of Health and Human Services Secretary Tommy Thompson

Light Refreshments will be served

Hosted by the House Judiciary Committee

Co-Sponsored by American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) of Hawai`i, Community Alliance on Prisons,
& the Drug Policy Forum of Hawai`i

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