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December 17, 2024

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi President and Members of the Senate Thirty-Third State Legislature State Capitol, Room 409 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813 The Honorable Nadine K. Nakamura Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives Thirty-Third State Legislature State Capitol, Room 431 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

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

For your information and consideration, I am transmitting a copy of the Department of the Attorney General's Report on the Number of Convictions of the Offense of Habitual Violent Crime, as required by Act 213, Session Laws of Hawaii 2024. In accordance with section 93-16, HRS, I am also informing you that the report may be viewed electronically at http://ag.hawaii.gov/publications/reports/reports-to-the legislature/.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call me at (808) 586-1500.

Sincerely,

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c: Josh Green, M.D., Governor Sylvia Luke, Lieutenant Governor Legislative Reference Bureau (Attn: Karen Mau) Leslie H. Kondo, State Auditor Luis Salaveria, Director of Finance, Department of Budget and Finance Stacey A. Aldrich, State Librarian, Hawaii State Public Library System David Lassner, Ph.D., President, University of Hawaii

**Enclosure** 

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## REPORT ON THE NUMBER OF CONVICTIONS OF THE OFFENSE OF HABITUAL VIOLENT CRIME

Pursuant to Act 213, Session Laws of Hawaii 2024

Submitted to the Thirty-Third State Legislature Regular Session of 2025

Act 213, Session Laws of Hawaii 2024 (Act 213), establishes the offense of habitual violent crime, which allows the prosecution to charge a person who, within five years of the instant offense, has been convicted of three or more violent misdemeanors or felonies, with a class C felony. Section 2 of Act 213 added a section to chapter 707, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to codify the new offense. Pursuant to Act 213, the department of the attorney general shall submit an annual report to the legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of the regular sessions of 2025 and 2026 that includes the number of convictions under the new section of chapter 707, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

According to the data provided by the prosecuting attorneys of each county, there have been 0 convictions of habitual violent crime from the enactment of the law through November 30, 2024. The convictions, by county, are as follows:

City and County of Honolulu convictions	0
Hawaii County convictions:	0
Kauai County convictions:	0
Maui County convictions:	0