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Act 111 Sessions Law of Hawaii 2011 calls for the Department of Public Safety (PSD) to report on our efforts to pursue the accreditation of the Sheriff Division by the Commission on Accreditation for the Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA).

The Sheriff Division is currently in the process of obtaining professional manuals that will assist with developing a plan to implement an accreditation program. The Sheriff Division has purchased the Standards for Law Enforcement Agencies and the CALEA Process and Programs Guide. The administrative staff is currently reviewing these manuals and identifying goals, objectives, and resources that would be necessary to successfully obtain accreditation. The key issues to identify are 1) what changes to current policies and procedures are necessary; 2) establish a time table for assessment and projections for action implementation; and 3) systematically develop a budget that encompasses all potential personnel cost, operating cost, and outside agency cost to ensure that a plan of action will not be restrained by financial reasons.

We are in the beginning stages of the process to pursue accreditation of the Sheriff Division as required by Act 111.