STAND. COM. REP. NO. **3218**

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR - 4 2006

RE: S.R. No. 91

Honorable Robert Bunda President of the Senate Twenty-Third State Legislature Regular Session of 2006 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Education and Military Affairs, to which was referred S.R. No. 91 entitled:

"SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT ALLOW NATIONAL GUARD MEMBERS AND MILITARY RESERVISTS WITH TWENTY OR MORE YEARS OF SERVICE TO RETIRE WITH FULL RETIREMENT BENEFITS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to request of the federal government to allow National Guard Members and Reservists to retire with full benefits after twenty or more years of service.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the State Department of Defense, the Hawaii National Guard Association, the Hawaii National Guard Enlisted Association, and two individuals.

Your Committee finds that National Guard service is a difficult and demanding duty, and that a disparity exists between active military personnel with twenty or more years of service who receive a pension immediately upon retirement, and National Guard and Reservist members with similar service records who must wait until they are at least sixty to receive a pension. Your Committee finds that this disparity should be remedied.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Education and Military Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.R. No. 91 and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Education and Military Affairs,

NORMAN SAKAMOTO, Cha:

The Senate Twenty-Third Legislature State of Hawaii

Record of Votes of the Committee on Education and Military Affairs (Bills and Resolutions)

Measure:* SIR 91	Committee Referral: Date:				
The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to:					
The Recommendation is to:					
Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit (2312) (2311) (2310) (2313)					
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