STAND. COM. REP. NO. 347

Honolulu, Hawaii April 5, 2011

RE: H.R. No. 79

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Sixth State Legislature Regular Session of 2011 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Public Safety & Military Affairs, to which was referred H.R. No. 79 entitled:

"HOUSE RESOLUTION URGING CONGRESS AND THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES TO SUPPORT THE FILIPINO VETERANS FAMILY REUNIFICATION ACT OF 2009, OR SIMILAR LEGISLATION, TO EXPEDITE FAMILY REUNIFICATION FOR CERTAIN FILIPINO VETERANS OF WORLD WAR II,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this resolution is to expedite family reunification for certain Filipino veterans of World War II by urging the President of the United States to support the Filipino Veterans Family Reunification Act of 2009 that exempts children of certain Filipino World War II veterans from the numerical limitation on immigrant visas. The measure also supports similar legislation.

Filipinos For Affirmative Action, Filipino American Citizens League, Filipino Coalition for Solidarity, National Federation of Filipino American Associations Region XII, Oahu Filipino Community Council, and the United Filipino Council of Hawaii supported this measure.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Public Safety & Military Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.R. No. 79 and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on International Affairs.



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Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Public Safety & Military Affairs,

for HENRY J.C. AQUINO, Chair



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## Record of Votes of the Committee on Public Safety & Military Affairs

Bill/Resolution No.: HR 79	Committee Referral: PBM, INT	Date	3/24/11	<u> </u>
The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD) Hold   Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
PBM Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. AQUINO, Henry J.C. (C)				
2. CULLEN, Ty (VC)				· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
3. ICHIYAMA, Linda				
4. LEE, Marilyn B.				
5. LUKE, Sylvia				$\checkmark$
6. SAIKI, Scott K.				
7. SOUKI, Joseph M.				
8. TAKAI, K. Mark				
9. TAKUMI, Roy M.				<u>.</u>
10. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.				
11. FONTAINE, George R.				
12. JOHANSON, Aaron Ling				
TOTAL (12)				3
The recommendation is: Adopted If joint referral, did not support recommendation.				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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