

Honolulu, Hawaii **February (5**, 2013)

RE: H.B. No. 1203 H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Seventh State Legislature Regular Session of 2013 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Veterans, Military, & International Affairs, & Culture and the Arts, to which was referred H.B. No. 1203 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE NATIONAL GUARD, "

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to require:

- (1) An adjutant general appointee to hold the commission of at least a lieutenant general; and
- (2) The following promotions of an officer of the Hawaii Army or Air National Guard to be subject to the advice and consent of the Hawaii State Senate:
  - (A) A field grade officer being promoted to the rank of general officer; or
  - (B) A general officer being promoted to a higher general officer rank.

Numerous concerned individuals testified in support of this measure with amendments. Several individuals testified in opposition to this measure.



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Your Committee has amended this bill by deleting its contents and replacing it with language that amends the eligibility requirements for appointment to the position of adjutant general. Specifically, the amended language:

- Stipulates that, in order to serve, continue to serve, or be appointed to serve as adjutant general an individual must hold or have held a commission of at least an 0-5;
- (2) Provides a first preference for appointment to the position of adjutant general to a commissioned officer who possess at least five years of service as an active commissioned officer in the Hawaii National Guard, whether Army, Air, or both;
- (3) Provides a second preference for an active commissioned officer in the National Guard of the Armed Forces of any state or territory of the United States to serve as adjutant general over a commissioned officer in the Armed Forces of the United States or a reserve component thereof; and
- (4) Exempts the sitting adjutant general from the requirements of paragraphs (1) to (3) above.

Technical, nonsubstantive amendments were also made for purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Veterans, Military, & International Affairs, & Culture and the Arts that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1203, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1203, H.D. 1, and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

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Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Veterans, Military, & International Affairs, & Culture and the Arts,

K. MARK TAKAI, Chair



## State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Twenty-seventh Legislature



## Record of Votes of the Committee on Veterans, Military, & International Affairs, & Culture and the Arts

Bill/Resolution No.:	Committee Referral:		Date:	
<u>HB1203</u>	VM1 2/13/13			
□ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: Dess, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD) Destruction Hold				
Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
VMI Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. TAKAI, K. Mark (C)				
2. ITO, Ken (VC)				
3. BROWER, Tom				
5. DROWER, 10m				
4. CACHOLA, Romy M.				
5. CHOY, Isaac W.				
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6. OHNO, Takashi				
7. ONISHI, Richard H.K.				
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8. TAKAYAMA, Gregg				
9. TSUJI, Clift				
10. MCDERMOTT, Bob	× (*)			
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TOTAL (10)	X			
The recommendation is: X Adopted I Not Adopted				
If joint referral, did not support recommendation.				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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