

Honolulu, Hawaii Roman 13, 2013 RE: H.B. No. 160

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. 160 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO VETERANS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to remove the uncertainty of burial provisions for veterans and their families. Specifically, this measure:

- (1) Makes permanent the residency requirement for the burial of members of the United States Armed Forces and their dependents in veterans cemeteries in Hawaii; and
- (2) Ensures that the criteria for the burial of members of the United States Armed Forces and their dependents in veterans cemeteries in Hawaii conform with the United States Department of Veterans Affairs' eligibility requirements for burial in a national or state cemetery.

The State Office of Veterans Services, Oahu Veterans Council, and Military Officers Association of America, Hawaii Chapter testified in support of this bill.

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. 160



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and recommends that it pass Second Reading 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:		- 1	
HB160	YMI 2/6/6			113
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)				
VMI Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. TAKAI, K. Mark (C)				
2. ITO, Ken (VC)				
3. BROWER, Tom				
4. CACHOLA, Romy M.				
5. CHOY, Isaac W.			- <i>m</i>	
6. OHNO, Takashi				
7. ONISHI, Richard H.K.				
8. TAKAYAMA, Gregg				
9. TSUJI, Clift			1997 - 1997 1997 - 1997	
10. MCDERMOTT, Bob				
TOTAL (10)	7		Ó	3
The recommendation is: Adopted Not Adopted If joint referral,				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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