STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1247

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 0 3 2013

RE: H.B. No. 527 H.D. 1

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim President of the Senate Twenty-Seventh State Legislature Regular Session of 2013 State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred H.B. No. 527, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO UNIFORM MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to repeal the uniform maintenance allowance for enlisted personnel.

Your Committee finds that the Legislature established the uniform maintenance allowance for enlisted personnel during the Regular Session of 1967 to assist enlisted members of the National Guard with the cost of professionally laundering their uniforms. However, this allowance is no longer necessary because most modern military uniforms are made of wash and wear fabric that does not require dry cleaning. Your Committee further finds that the numerous benefits accorded by the State to the National Guard and other military members in recent years will more than cover the loss of funds experienced by enlisted personnel upon the repeal of the uniform maintenance allowance.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 527, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Ways and Means,

DAVID Y. IGE Chai

The Senate Twenty-Seventh Legislature State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes Committee on Ways and Means WAM

Bill / Resolution No.:* HB \$2 7, HD1	Committee Referral: PSM, WAM		Date: 3 - 27 - 13		
The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.					
If so, then the previous decision was to:					
The Recommendation is:					
Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit 2312 2311 2310 2313					
Members		Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
IGE, David Y. (C)		<			
KIDANI, Michelle N. (VC)		~			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne					
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.		/			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani					
ESPERO, Will		/			
KAHELE, Gilbert					
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C.		V			
KOUCHI, Ronald D.		✓			
RUDERMAN, Russell E.					
THIELEN, Laura H.					<u> </u>
TOKUDA, Jill N.		1		1 1 1	
SLOM, Sam				~	
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Recommendation: Not Adopted Not Adopted					
Chair's or Designee's Signature: Shuhlle A. Kidani					
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