

#### January 29, 2013

# TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF HOUSE BILL 167 RELATING TO MILITARY BENEFITS.

### HOUSE COMMITTEE ON VETERANS MILITARY AND INTERNATIONAL AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS

## HEARING ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 30<sup>TH</sup> AT 8:30 AM, IN CONFERENCE ROOM 312

Aloha Chair Takai: The Oahu Veterans Council is honored to serve at the pleasure of our veterans and their families. On January 26th<sup>th</sup>, our delegates reviewed and voted unanimously to support House Bill 167.

We are extremely grateful for your efforts to prohibit courts, in making a disposition of property pursuant to a divorce decree, from considering federal disability benefits awarded to a military veteran.

The Veterans Administration will apportion a subject veterans disability compensation, for the purposes of providing equitable support for the subject veterans dependent children and/or custodian, when a claim is filed in their behalf.

Providing this legislative protection in state law supports endorses the intent and purpose of United States Code', Title 10, Section 1408(a)(4)(C), and is greatly appreciated by our veterans and military personnel who serve so selflessly and ask for no more recognition than we would expect for ourselves.

The Oahu Veterans Council respectfully urges your committee to consider passing House Bill 167 as written. Mahalo, for allowing us to testify, regarding this extremely important issue.

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