## LATE TESTIMONY



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**Testimony of** 

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Before the

Committee on Veterans, Military, & International Affairs, &

Culture and the Arts

Wednesday, February 6, 2013, 8:30 am, Room 312

## HB 92 Relating to Voting

Chair Takai, Vice Chair Ito and Committee Members

Our chapter of 500 retired and currently serving officers of the Uniformed Services strongly supports HB 92, which provides that a military-overseas ballot of an eligible voter not be deemed invalid solely because the voter became ineligible after casting the ballot.

This measure will allow military-overseas voters the same privileges as provided for any other eligible voters who later become ineligible to vote after casting the ballot. We note that while Hawaii has a commendable record of dealing with military and othersoverseas when it comes to voting procedures, it is only fair to provide specifically for this situation, however unlikely it is to occur.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this testimony.