HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE, 2014 STATE OF HAWAII

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO VETERANS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

SECTION 1. Section 363-5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
amended to read as follows:

3 "§363-5 Councils' responsibility; burial of service members, veterans, and dependents [-]; office of veterans' 4 5 services approval. (a) The councils of the counties of Hawaii, 6 Kauai, and Maui shall each provide for the establishment of the veterans cemetery or cemeteries to be located within their 7 8 respective counties, which includes grading, filling, leveling, platting, paving of roadways and walks, installation of curbs, 9 10 building of fences, planting of grass, trees and shrubs, 11 erection of memorial buildings and monuments, and building of 12 other necessary or convenient structures, and shall make 13 provisions for the maintenance and upkeep of the cemetery or 14 cemeteries. The councils shall each provide for the interment 15 of the remains, of:

16 (1) Service members who died while in the armed forces of17 the United States;



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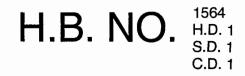
1	(2)	Eligible veterans who entered military service after	
2		September 7, 1980, as an enlisted person, or after	
3		October 16, 1980, as an officer, and served a minimum	
4		of twenty-four continuous months or the full period	
5		for which the person was called to active duty, as in	
6		the case of a reservist;	
7	(3)	Eligible veterans who were discharged under conditions	
8		other than dishonorable of the armed forces of the	
9		United States with either peacetime or wartime	
10		service; and	
11	(4)	The wife, husband, minor children, or unmarried	
12		disabled adult children, who predecease a service	
13		member or veteran who would be entitled to interment,	
14		in any state veterans cemetery.	
15	The cost	of transportation of the remains to the county of	
16	interment shall be borne by the family or estate of the		
17	deceased.		
18	(b)	The determination of eligibility for burial within any	
19	state vet	erans cemetery shall be in accordance with current	
20	Veterans	Affairs and National Cemeteries Administration	
21	Regulations.		
22	(c)	Prior to any county action that may:	
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1	(1)	Have an adverse financial impact upon the State's	
2		fiscal obligation to establish and maintain veterans	
3		cemeteries; or	
4	(2)	Impair or conflict with federal requirements that are	
5		a prescribed condition for the allocation of federal	
6		funds,	
7	the count	y shall obtain approval of the action from the office	
8	<u>of vetera</u>	ns' services. In the event of any disagreement between	
9	any count	y and the office of veterans' services over whether	
10	this subs	ection applies, the decision of the office of veterans'	
11	services	shall control."	
12	SECT	ION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed	
13	and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.		
14	SECT	ION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2014.	





Report Title:

Veterans' Services; Cemeteries; Counties; Federal Funding

Description:

Requires the counties to obtain approval from the office of veterans' services prior to any action that may impact the State's obligation to establish and maintain veterans cemeteries. (HB1564 CD1)

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