Honolulu, Hawaii MAR 2 5 2015

RE: H.B. No. 564

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim President of the Senate Twenty-Eighth State Legislature Regular Session of 2015 State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, to which was referred H.B. No. 564 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO VIETNAM WAR COMMEMORATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to appropriate funds to the state Department of Defense for programs, ceremonies, and activities commemorating the fiftieth anniversary of the Vietnam War.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the State Office of Veterans Services; Veterans Advisory Board; Military Officers Association of America, Hawaii Chapter; and six individuals.

Your Committee finds that the Vietnam War is a chapter in American's history that must never be forgotten. During the Vietnam War, more than 58,000 members of the United States Armed Forces were killed, over 153,000 were wounded, and as of 2014, there remain 1,638 Americans who are unaccounted for. It is important that the State honor the sacrifices of the men and women who served and remember the suffering and loss of life of all who were involved.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 564, and recommends that it

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pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs,

WILL ESPERO Chair

The Senate Twenty-Eighth Legislature State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs PSM

Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee		Da	te:	
HB 564	PSM,	WAL	_	3-17-8	2015
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
ESPERO, Will (C)		-			
BAKER, Rosalyn H. (VC)	-				
GALUTERIA, Brickwood					
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C.					
SLOM, Sam					
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TOTAL		4			1
Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted					
Chair's or Designee's Signature:					
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes