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# Statement of Ann Kobayashi Councilmember, District V

before the HOUSE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE Friday, April 1, 2016 1:00 p.m. State Capitol, Conference Room 308

#### in consideration of SB 2256 SD1 RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLE DRIVER LICENSING

Chair Luke, Vice Chair Nishimoto, and Members of the Committee,

I support the Korean War Veterans Association Aloha Chapter and Senate Bill 2256, which authorizes issuance of driver's licenses with the notation of "veteran" for persons who are veterans of the Korean conflict and persons who served in the armed forces of the Republic of Korea, who fought under the command of the United Nations led by the United States, during the Korean conflict and are currently United States citizens.

These brave men risked their lives in pursuit of freedom for their fellow man and continue to contribute to our community, our State, and our Country. This bill ensures that veterans of the Korean conflict are given proper recognition honoring their service and dedication to American ideals and grant them access to documentation of their veteran status.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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## Statement of James Shin President of the Korean War Veterans Association Aloha Chapter

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This bill ensures that veterans of the Korean conflict are given proper recognition and access to documentation of their veteran status.

I support the amendments made by the Senate Committee Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs to recognize persons who served in the armed forces of the Republic of Korea, who fought under the command of the United Nations led by the United States, during the Korean conflict and are currently United States citizens as being eligible for "veteran" notation on their driver's license.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.