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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO MILITARY IN THE ARTS.

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

1       SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the State's large  
2 military community has a diverse range of experience and  
3 interests and includes active duty military members, veterans,  
4 and their families. Programs implemented through partnerships  
5 with military bases, organizations, and veterans' assistance  
6 agencies deliver a wide range of services, including:

7       (1) Healing arts, a program designed to address post-  
8 traumatic stress disorder;

9       (2) After-school arts education programming for military  
10 dependents;

11       (3) Performances on military bases or discounted rates for  
12 military members at community events; and

13       (4) Participation programs in theater, dance, music,  
14 visual arts, and literary and cultural activities.

15       The purpose of this Act is to encourage relevant  
16 programming and partnerships between arts organizations and  
17 military bases in the State, military organizations, and



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1 veterans' assistance agencies to provide greater access to the  
2 arts for active duty military members, veterans, and their  
3 families, and to make a significant contribution to the quality  
4 of life of the State's military community.

5 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general  
6 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much  
7 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2017-2018 and the  
8 same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year  
9 2018-2019 to establish an arts in the military program.

10 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the state  
11 foundation on culture and the arts for the purposes of this Act.

12 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2017.  
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**Report Title:**

State Foundation on Culture and the Arts; Military Members;  
Veterans; Appropriation

**Description:**

Appropriates moneys for the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts to establish an Arts in the Military Program.

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