



GOV. MSG. NO. **739**

EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS
HONOLULU

LINDA LINGLE
GOVERNOR

April 9, 2007

The Honorable Colleen Hanabusa, President
and Members of the Senate
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 409
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Madam President and Members of the Senate:

This is to inform you that on April 9, 2007, the following bill was signed into law:

HB613

A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO VETERANS.
(ACT 012)

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "L. Lingle".

LINDA LINGLE

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO VETERANS.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the number of
2 veterans in the district of west Hawaii is increasing every
3 year. In order to provide fair and necessary representation for
4 these veterans with respect to veterans' services and to
5 recognize the different needs of veterans in east and west
6 Hawaii, representation on the state advisory board on veterans'
7 services needs to reflect this distinction.

8 The purpose of this Act is to require a member of the
9 advisory board on veterans' services to be from the district of
10 west Hawaii.

11 SECTION 2. Section 363-3.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
12 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

13 "(a) There shall be a policy advisory board on veterans'
14 services[+] within the office of veterans' services. The board
15 shall consist of [~~seven~~] nine members appointed by the governor
16 as provided in section 26-34. Five members shall be veterans,
17 and there shall be at least one member residing in each of the
18 counties [~~except Kalawao county.~~] of Maui and Kauai. The county



1 of Hawaii shall be represented by two members, one member shall
 2 reside in east Hawaii and one member shall reside in west
 3 Hawaii. Four members shall reside in the city and county of
 4 Honolulu. The director of health, the director of human
 5 services, the director of labor and industrial relations, and
 6 the adjutant general shall serve as ex-officio non-voting
 7 members. The director for the office of veterans' services
 8 shall serve as an ex-officio voting member. The chairperson of
 9 the board shall be elected by the majority of the board. The
 10 members shall serve without compensation but shall be allowed
 11 their actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance
 12 of their duties."

13 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
 14 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

15 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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APPROVED this 9 day of APR ,2007



GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII