

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1043

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 14 2007

RE: S.C.R. No. 39

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2007  
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, to which was referred S.C.R. No. 39 entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING ENACTMENT OF H.R. 4574/S. 57, "FILIPINO AMERICAN VETERANS EQUITY ACT OF 2007" OR SIMILAR LEGISLATION THAT PROVIDES FEDERAL VETERANS BENEFITS AND SERVICES TO THE WORLD WAR II FILIPINO AMERICAN VETERANS AND THE FILIPINO VETERANS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to provide Federal veterans' benefits and services to World War II Filipino veterans.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Philippine Nurses Association - Hawaii, Filipino Coalition for Solidarity, Congress of Visayan Organizations, Asian American Network for Cancer Awareness Research and Training - Hawaii, National Federation of Filipino American Associations, Oahu Filipino Community Council, Nursing Advocates and Mentors, Inc., and United Filipino Council of Hawaii.


Your Committee finds that members of the Philippine Commonwealth Armed Forces and the Special Philippine Scouts were drafted into the United States Armed Forces by the Military Order of July 26, 1941, and from 1941-1946, tens of thousands of Filipino soldiers risked their lives assisting the United States Armed Forces in its campaign to liberate the Philippines. To this end, it is the intent of your Committee to support the provision of Federal veterans' benefits and services to Filipino wartime veterans for their valiant service during World War II.

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As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Intergovernmental and Military Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 39 and recommends its adoption.

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

  
LORRAINE R. FROUYE, Chair



The Senate  
Twenty-Fourth Legislature  
State of Hawaii

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**Committee on Intergovernmental and Military Affairs**  
**IGM**

Bill / Resolution No.:* <b>SCR 39</b>	Committee Referral: <b>IGM</b>	Date: <b>3/12/07</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
INOUE, Lorraine R. (C)	/			
TSUTSUI, Shan S. (VC)	/			
HEMMINGS, Fred	/			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3</b>			
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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