

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 81

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 9, 2009

RE: H.B. No. 472
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2009
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Economic Revitalization, Business, & Military Affairs, to which was referred H.B. No. 472 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE STATE VEHICLE WEIGHT TAX,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to recognize the sacrifices made by military veterans by exempting one noncommercial motor vehicle registered to a veteran, from the state vehicle weight tax.

A concerned individual supported this bill. The Office of Veterans Services supported the intent of this bill. The Department of Transportation, Department of Taxation, and City and County of Honolulu opposed this bill. The Tax Foundation of Hawaii commented.

Your Committee supports our veterans, but also acknowledges that this bill would adversely impact funding for highway operations, maintenance, and construction. Accordingly, the exemption has been amended to apply only to the approximately 19,000 totally disabled veterans, as well as to veterans who served in World War II or the Korean War. Your Committee notes that as amended, the exemption would include Filipino World War II veterans.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Economic Revitalization, Business, & Military Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with

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the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 472, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 472, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Transportation.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Economic
Revitalization, Business, &
Military Affairs,



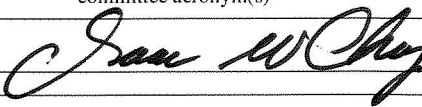
ANGUS L.K. MCKELVEY, Chair



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Record of Votes of the Committee on Economic Revitalization, Business, & Military Affairs

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 472	Committee Referral: EBM	Date: 2/3/2009		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) / <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
EBM Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. McKELVEY, Angus L.K. (C)	✓			
2. CHOY, Isaac W. (VC)	✓			
3. BERG, Lyla B.		✓		
4. EVANS, Cindy	✓			
5. MANAHAN, Joey	✓			
6. TAKAI, K. Mark				✓
7. TOKIOKA, James Kunane				✓
8. TSUJI, Clift	✓			
9. WAKAI, Glenn				✓
10. WOOLEY, Jessica		✓		
11. WARD, Gene	✓			
TOTAL (11)	6	2		3
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: _____ 				
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