

Honolulu, Hawaii

April 28, 2009

RE: H.B. No. 632
H.D. 1
S.D. 1
C.D. 1

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

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa
President of the Senate
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2009
State of Hawaii

Sir and Madam:

Your Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the House of Representatives to the amendments proposed by the Senate in H.B. No. 632, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO POLICY ADVISORY BOARD ON VETERANS' SERVICES,"

having met, and after full and free discussion, has agreed to recommend and does recommend to the respective Houses the final passage of this bill in an amended form.

The purpose of this bill is to ensure representation of women veterans' interests on the Policy Advisory Board on Veterans' Services (Board) by requiring three members of the Board to be women.

The Board advises the Director of the Office of Veterans' Services by identifying and developing positions on veterans' issues, and assisting in advocacy, legislative actions, and program development and operations. This bill will strengthen women's voice on the Board.



Your Committee on Conference has amended this bill by:

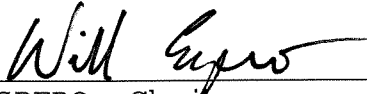
- (1) Requiring that "at least" three members of the Board to be women; and
- (2) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2009.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the managers of your Committee on Conference that is attached to this report, your Committee on Conference is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 632, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Final Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 632, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on behalf
of the managers:

ON THE PART OF THE SENATE

ON THE PART OF THE HOUSE



WILL ESPERO, Chair



ANGUS L.K. MCKELVEY, Chair



