

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1091

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 02 2009

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

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

Madam:

Your Committee on Public Safety and Military Affairs, to which was referred H.B. No. 632, H.D. 1, entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to ensure that the membership of the Policy Advisory Board on Veterans' Services represents the full range of veterans' interests by requiring the Governor, in appointing members, to ensure that all minority viewpoints are represented, including issues of concern to women veterans.

Testimony in support of this measure was submitted by two individuals. Testimony in opposition of this measure was submitted by one state agency. Written testimony presented to the Committee may be reviewed on the Legislature's website.

Your Committee finds that a Board comprising members from a variety of backgrounds will be better suited to equitably resolve issues that are of concern to veterans. Your Committee also finds that requiring membership on the Board to include women members will help to specifically address the concerns of women veterans.

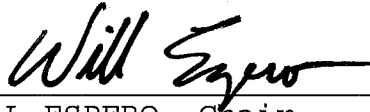
Your Committee has amended this measure by:



- (1) Deleting the Governor's requirement to appoint members that represent the viewpoints of all minorities, including those concerns of women; and
- (2) Adding the requirement that three members of the Policy Advisory Board on Veterans' Services shall be women.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Public Safety and Military Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 632, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 632, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

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

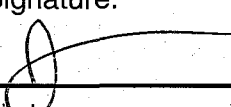


WILL ESPERO, Chair



The Senate
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Record of Votes
Committee on Public Safety and Military Affairs
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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
HB 632 HD1	PSM	3/24/09		
<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 type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
ESPERO, Will (C)	✓			
BUNDA, Robert (VC)				✓
ENGLISH, J. Kalani				✓
GABBARD, Mike				✓
GALUTERIA, Brickwood	✓			
KIDANI, Michelle N.	✓			
HEMMINGS, Fred			✓	✗ <i>WR</i>
TOTAL	3		1	3
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
				
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