

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

598

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 20, 2009

RE: H.B. No. 687  
H.D. 2

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. 687, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO VETERANS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to ensure that veterans are receiving adequate and appropriate health care services by providing the Department of Defense, Office of Veterans' Services (OVS) with greater access and input into the operations of the Yukio Okutsu State Veterans Home.

OVS supported the intent of this bill.

Your Committee finds that providing OVS with improved access to information on the care of veterans at the Yukio Okutsu State Veterans Home is important. Therefore, in an effort to ensure such access, your Committee on Finance is respectfully requested to look into the possibility of enabling a representative of OVS to become a member of the Hawaii Health Systems' East Hawaii Regional Board.

Your Committee has amended this bill by:

- (1) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2112, to encourage further discussion; and

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- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive changes for clarity, consistency, and style.

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 the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 687, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Finance in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 687, H.D. 2.

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



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ANGUS L.K. MCKELVEY, Chair



State of Hawaii  
House of Representatives  
The Twenty-fifth Legislature

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

<b>Bill/Resolution No.:</b> <span style="font-size: 1.2em; font-weight: bold;">HB 687</span>	<b>Committee Referral:</b> <span style="font-size: 1.2em; font-weight: bold;">HLT, EBM, FIN</span>	<b>Date:</b> <span style="font-size: 1.2em; font-weight: bold;">2/17/09</span>
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The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.

**The recommendation is to:**

Pass, unamended (as is)    
 Pass, with amendments (HD)    
 Hold  
 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	✓			
<del>6. TAKAI, K. Mark</del>				
7. TOKIOKA, James Kunane	✓			
8. TSUJI, Clift	✓			
9. WAKAI, Glenn	✓			
10. WOOLEY, Jessica	✓			
11. WARD, Gene	✓			
<b>TOTAL (11)</b>	9			1

**The recommendation is:**    
 Adopted    
 Not Adopted

If joint referral, \_\_\_\_\_ did not support recommendation.  
committee acronym(s)

**Vice Chair's or designee's signature:**

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