STAND. COM. REP. NO. 214

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 626 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 S.B. No. 626 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO VETERAN BURIAL GRANTS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to require the Office of Veterans' Services to pay a mortuary for the services of a deceased veteran and to pay for the transport of that deceased veteran's remains to the Philippines.

Comments on this measure were submitted by one state agency. Written testimony presented to the Committee may be reviewed on the Legislature's website.

Your Committee finds that the payment of mortuary services for a deceased veteran and the costs for the remains to be transported back to the Philippines will enable the families of deceased New Filipino Scouts that served in World War II to obtain closure with the veteran's passing.

Your Committee has amended this measure by making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purpose of clarity.

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 S.B. No. 626, as amended herein, and recommends that it

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pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 626, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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

WILL ESPERO. Chair

## The Senate Twenty-Fifth Legislature State of Hawaii

## Record of Votes Committee on Public Safety and Military Affairs PSM

Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee	Referral:		Date:		
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The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.						
If so, then the previous decision was to:						
The Recommendation is:						
Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit 2312 2311 2310 2313						
Members	*	Aye	Aye (WF	R) Nay	Excused	
ESPERO, Will (C)		X				
BUNDA, Robert (VC)		X				
ENGLISH, J. Kalani		X				
GABBARD, Mike					$\mathcal{X}$	
GALUTERIA, Brickwood					X	
KIDANI, Michelle N.						
HEMMINGS, Fred		<u> </u>				
	Kirch State Control					
TOTAL					2	
Recommendation:  Adopted Not Adopted						
Chair's or Designee's Signature:						
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<sup>\*</sup>Only one measure per Record of Votes