

Honolulu, Hawaii

April 16, 2010

RE: H.B. No. 1900
S.D. 1
C.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2010
State of Hawaii

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa
President of the Senate
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2010
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. 1900, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY PERSONNEL,"

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 enable the State to process military personnel actions in a timely manner by recognizing the designations of prisoner of war (POW) and missing in action (MIA) as valid descriptions of casualty status and category classification.

Your Committee believes that the POW and MIA designations are fitting and proper to recognize the men and women of our country who have gone to war to fight for and protect our freedoms, as well as to combat tyranny and oppression of peoples throughout the world.

Your Committee has amended this measure by changing the effective date to upon its approval. Technical, nonsubstantive amendments were also made for clarity, consistency, and style.

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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. 1900, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Final Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1900, S.D. 1, C.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on behalf
of the managers:

ON THE PART OF THE SENATE



WILL ESPERO, Chair

ON THE PART OF THE HOUSE



ANGUS L.K. MCKELVEY, Chair



