

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 10, 2010

RE: H.B. No. 1943  
H.D. 1

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Economic Revitalization, Business, & Military Affairs, to which was referred H.B. No. 1943 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO VETERANS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to provide services for veterans by requiring the Director of the Office of Veterans' Services to ensure that the remains of deceased veterans found to be indigent at the time of death and without surviving immediate family members are buried in a state veterans cemetery.

The Office of Veterans' Services and Oahu Veterans Council supported this bill.

Your Committee finds that every veteran who served in the United States military deserves a decent burial and military honors if they can be provided. Unfortunately, there are a significant number of veterans with no family to ensure the proper implementation of their final arrangements. This measure seeks to assist those veterans by ensuring recognition of their service in the disposition of their remains.

Your Committee has amended this bill by including cremation services and inurnment in a state veterans cemetery as an option.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Economic Revitalization, Business, & Military Affairs

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that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1943, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1943, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

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

HSCR 256-10

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

<b>Bill/Resolution No.:</b> HB 1943	<b>Committee Referral:</b> EBM, FIN	<b>Date:</b> Feb. 4, 2010		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
<b>The recommendation is to:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
<b>EBM Members</b>	<b>Ayes</b>	<b>Ayes (WR)</b>	<b>Nays</b>	<b>Excused</b>
1. McKELVEY, Angus L.K. (C)	/			
2. CHOY, Isaac W. (VC)	/			
3. BERG, Lyla B.	/			
4. EVANS, Cindy	/			
5. MANAHAN, Joey				/
6. TAKAI, K. Mark	/			
7. TOKIOKA, James Kunane				/
8. TSUJI, Clift				/
9. WAKAI, Glenn	✓			
10. WOOLEY, Jessica	✓			
11. WARD, Gene	/			
<b>TOTAL (11)</b>	8			3
<b>The recommendation is:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <span style="margin-left: 150px;">committee acronym(s)</span>				
<b>Vice Chair's or designee's signature:</b>				
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