

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 16, 2011

RE: H.B. No. 121
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2011
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Public Safety & Military Affairs, to which was referred H.B. No. 121 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE HAWAII CIVIL AIR PATROL,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to appropriate funds to help defray the operational expenses of the Hawaii Civil Air Patrol (HCAP).

The Oahu Veterans Council and numerous concerned individuals testified in support of this measure. The Hawaii Civil Air Patrol supported this measure with amendments. The Department of Defense and the HCAP - 66th Composite Squadron supported the intent of this bill. Several individuals offered comments.

Your Committee has amended this bill by clarifying provisions in its findings section, including:


- (1) The source of funding for HCAP for fiscal year 2007, a portion of which were federal monies;
- (2) The deletion of language referring to the absence of fixed base sirens at 80 percent of Hawaii's shoreline at the time of the February 27, 2010, tsunami; and



- (3) The role of HCAP in disaster relief efforts and activities it may be tasked to partake in.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Public Safety & Military Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 121, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 121, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

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


HENRY J.C. AQUINO, Chair



