

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.B. No. 1622
H.D. 1

Honorable Shan S. Tsutsui
President of the Senate
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2011
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Public Safety, Government Operations, and Military Affairs, to which was referred H.B. No. 1622, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HISTORIC PRESERVATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to require that a state law enforcement memorial be constructed in the Capitol District, preferably on the Diamond Head side of the Kalanimoku Building, and that private funds be solicited and used for the construction of the memorial.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the City and County of Honolulu Police Department and The Hawaii Law Enforcement Memorial Foundation.

Your Committee finds that this measure is based upon H.C.R. No. 139 (2010), which requested the Department of Accounting and General Services to work with certain concerned parties and state departments to plan and construct the Hawaii State Law Enforcement Memorial on the grounds of the State Capitol. According to testimony of The Hawaii Law Enforcement Memorial Foundation, Foundation has partnered with the University of Hawaii at Manoa, School of Architecture, to design the Memorial. In November 2010, the School of Architecture assembled over 250 architectural students to compete in a contest to design the Memorial. A final design was selected at the end of 2010, and the Foundation has made good progress in raising funds for the memorial.


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According to the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund, as of June 2010, 60 law enforcement officers died or were killed in the line of duty in Hawaii. With the construction of a Hawaii State Law Enforcement Memorial, the Legislature, along with the families of fallen officers, will forever honor their service, which was selflessly given to the people of Hawaii.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Public Safety, Government Operations, and Military Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1622, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

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



WILL ESPERO, Chair



