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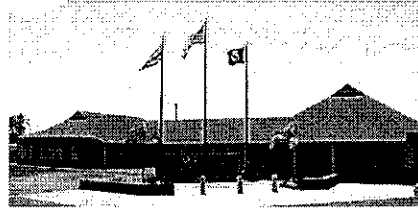
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January 27, 2011

TESTIMONY REGARDING SENATE BILL 881 RELATING TO THE HONOR AND REMEMBER FLAG

SENATE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS AND MILITARY AFFAIRS

HEARING ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 8TH, AT 2:45PM, IN ROOM
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Aloha Chair Espero: The Oahu Veterans Council's member organization's identified in the left margin represent the interests of over 80,000 veterans and their families. The "remember and honor" flag issue was brought to the full council's attention, in Saturday January 22nd. On Thursday, January 27th, our legislative committee decided to testify, regarding Senate Bill 881, as follows, only if requested to do so:

All Oahu Veterans Council delegates performed creditable military service under the flag of the United States of America. We always honor our fallen comrades under this flag, and firmly believe this official tradition should not be diminished in any way.

We thoughtfully and respectfully urge your committee to consider allowing those who may have issues with this tradition or the flag of our country to render unofficial honors, under the subject flag, without comment.

Mahalo for allowing us to testify this very important Bill.

Fred Ballard

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