
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO VETERANS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. Section 363-5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended to read as follows:
3 "~~§363-5 Councils' responsibility; burial of [servicemen]~~
4 service members, veterans, and dependents. The councils of the
5 counties of Hawaii, Kauai, and Maui shall each provide for the
6 establishment of the veterans cemetery or cemeteries to be
7 located within their respective counties, which includes
8 grading, filling, leveling, platting, paving of roadways and
9 walks, installation of curbs, building of fences, planting of
10 grass, trees and shrubs, erection of memorial buildings and
11 monuments, and building of other necessary or convenient
12 structures, and shall make provisions for the maintenance and
13 upkeep of such cemetery or cemeteries. The councils shall each
14 provide for the interment of the remains, of:

15 (1) ~~[residents or former residents of their respective~~
16 ~~counties]~~ Service members who died while in the armed
17 forces of the United States ~~[and]~~;



1 (2) ~~[of honorably]~~ Honorably discharged veterans of the
 2 armed forces of the United States with either
 3 peacetime or wartime service ~~[and who are residents of~~
 4 ~~their respective counties at the time of death, or who~~
 5 ~~were former residents, and];~~

6 (3) ~~[of the]~~ The widows, widowers, or minor children of
 7 ~~[such]~~ deceased ~~[servicemen]~~ service members or
 8 veterans~~[,]~~; and

9 (4) ~~[of the]~~ The wife, husband, or minor children who
 10 predecease a ~~[serviceman]~~ service member or veteran
 11 who would be ~~[himself]~~ entitled to interment; provided
 12 that ~~[he must]~~ the service member or veteran shall
 13 subscribe to a statement that ~~[he himself]~~ the service
 14 member or veteran will also be ~~[so]~~ interred in the
 15 same veterans cemetery~~;~~ ~~and provided further that as~~
 16 ~~to former residents, the].~~

17 The cost of transportation of the remains to the county of
 18 interment shall be borne by the family or estate of the
 19 deceased."

20 SECTION 2. Section 363-7, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
 21 repealed.

1 ~~["§363-7 Burial of nonresident servicemen and dependents.~~
 2 ~~Any law to the contrary notwithstanding the remains of~~
 3 ~~nonresident servicemen or nonresident honorably discharged~~
 4 ~~veterans of the armed forces of the United States, and the~~
 5 ~~remains of the widows, widowers, or minor children of the~~
 6 ~~deceased servicemen or veterans, or the remains of the wives,~~
 7 ~~husbands, or minor children who predecease the servicemen or~~
 8 ~~veterans, may, at the discretion of the legislative bodies of~~
 9 ~~the respective counties, be interred in the cemetery or~~
 10 ~~cemeteries as established herein."]~~

11 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
 12 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

13 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.
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Report Title:

Armed Services; Veterans; Burial

Description:

Removes the residency requirements for the burial of members of the armed services and their dependants in veterans cemeteries.

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