
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO A MEMORIAL.

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

1 SECTION 1. The freedom and security that United States
2 (U.S.) citizens enjoy today are direct results of the sacrifices
3 and continued vigilance of the U.S. armed forces over the course
4 of our nation's history. The sacrifices of the members of the
5 U.S. armed forces have preserved the liberties of this nation
6 that have made it unique in the world community. Members of the
7 U.S. armed forces engaged in the Persian Gulf War, from August
8 2, 1990, to February 28, 1991, which culminated in the
9 liberation of Kuwait from Iraq. The U.S. air-and-land conflict,
10 known as Operation Desert Storm, began on January 17, 1991, and
11 lasted through April 11, 1991. Operation Iraqi Freedom was a
12 military campaign led by U.S. troops that began on March 20,
13 2003, and lasted through August 31, 2010. It was later named
14 "Operation New Dawn" on September 1, 2010. Also known as the
15 "War in Afghanistan", Operation Enduring Freedom is an ongoing
16 war effort that began on October 7, 2001. On July 24, 1994,
17 Hawaii dedicated the Korean and Vietnam Memorial on the grounds
18 of the State Capitol. Thus, it is both fitting and necessary



1 for the State to give tangible and visible recognition of the
2 sacrifices and contributions of veterans from Hawaii who served
3 in the Persian Gulf War, Operation Desert Storm, Operation Iraqi
4 Freedom, Operation Enduring Freedom, and Operation New Dawn.

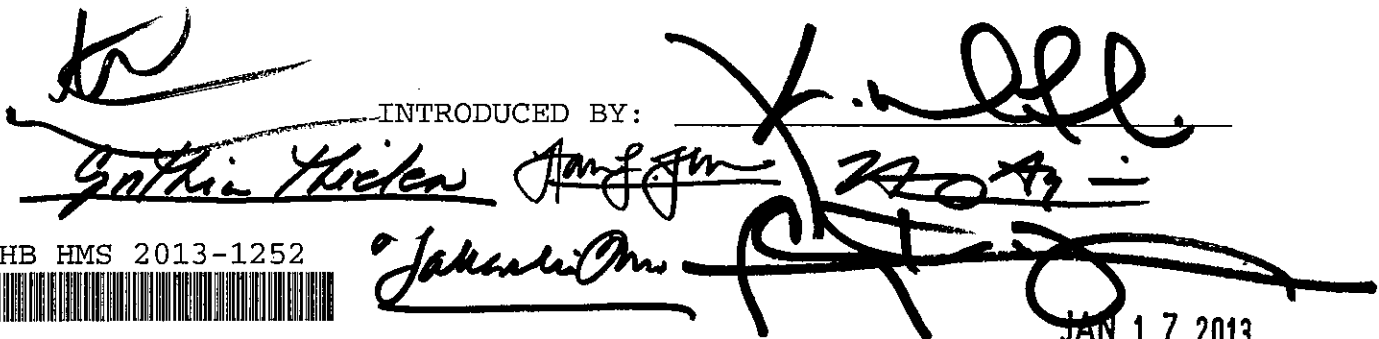
5 SECTION 2. The office of veterans' services, with the
6 assistance of the department of accounting and general services
7 and the department of defense, shall develop a plan to establish
8 a memorial honoring the veterans of the Persian Gulf War,
9 Operation Desert Storm, Operation Iraqi Freedom, Operation
10 Enduring Freedom, and Operation New Dawn on the grounds of the
11 State Capitol near the Korean and Vietnam Memorial.

12 A public hearing shall be held to receive comments or input
13 from interested organizations and residents.

14 SECTION 3. The office of veterans' services, with the
15 assistance of the department of accounting and general services
16 and department of defense, shall submit a report of the findings
17 and recommendations to the legislature no later than January 1,
18 2014.

19 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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INTRODUCED BY: 

H.B. NO. 163

Report Title:

Memorial; Persian Gulf War; Operation Desert Storm; Operation Iraqi Freedom; Operation Enduring Freedom; Operation New Dawn

Description:

Directs the Office of Veterans' Affairs, with the assistance of the Department of Accounting and General Services and Department of Defense, to develop a plan to establish a memorial honoring the veterans of the Persian Gulf War, Operation Desert Storm, Operation Iraqi Freedom, Operation Enduring Freedom, and Operation New Dawn. Requires a report to the Legislature.

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