

Honolulu, Hawaii
February 11, 2013

RE: H.B. No. 92

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
Regular Session of 2013
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Veterans, Military, & International
Affairs, & Culture and the Arts, to which was referred H.B. No. 92
entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO VOTING,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to provide for fairness in
voting by:

- (1) Statutorily establishing that:
 - (A) The absentee ballot of any voter; or
 - (B) The military-overseas ballot of any covered voter,
who was eligible to vote at the time the ballot was cast
is valid even if the voter became ineligible to vote
after casting the ballot; and
- (2) Repealing statutory provisions that invalidate an
absentee voter's ballot that was cast if sufficient
proof is shown that the voter died prior to the opening
of the election polls on the date of the election.



The Oahu Veterans Council and Military Officers Association of America, Hawaii Chapter testified in support of this bill. The Office of Elections, Office of the County Clerk of the County of Kauai, and Office of the County Clerk of the County of Maui provided comments.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Veterans, Military, & International Affairs, & Culture and the Arts that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 92 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Veterans,
Military, & International
Affairs, & Culture and the
Arts,


K. MARK TAKAI, Chair



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Record of Votes of the Committee on Veterans, Military, & International Affairs, & Culture
and the Arts

Bill/Resolution No.: HB92	Committee Referral: VMI, JHD	Date: 2/6/13		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
VMI Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. TAKAI, K. Mark (C)	✓			
2. ITO, Ken (VC)	✓			
3. BROWER, Tom				✓
4. CACHOLA, Romy M.				✓
5. CHOY, Isaac W.	✓			
6. OHNO, Takashi	✓			
7. ONISHI, Richard H.K.	✓			
8. TAKAYAMA, Gregg	✓			
9. TSUJI, Clift	✓			
10. MCDERMOTT, Bob				✓
TOTAL (10)	7		0	3
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. _____ committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: _____				
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