



January 29, 2013

**TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF HOUSE BILL 527
RELATING TO UNIFORM MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE..**

**HOUSE COMMITTEE ON VETERANS, MILITARY AND INTERNATIONAL
AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS**

**HEARING ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 30TH AT 8:30 AM,
IN CONFERENCE ROOM 312**

Aloha Chair Takai: The Oahu Veterans Council is honored to serve at the pleasure of our veterans and their families. On January 26th, our delegates reviewed and voted unanimously to support House Bill 527.

We are extremely grateful for your efforts to repeal the uniform maintenance allowance for enlisted Guard personnel.

Providing this legislative protection in state law is so important to our National Guard personnel who serve so selflessly and ask for no more recognition than we would expect for ourselves.

The Oahu Veterans Council respectfully urges your committee to consider passing House Bill 527 as written. Mahalo, for allowing us to testify, regarding this extremely important issue.

Dennis Egge

Dennis Egge; Chairman, Legislative Committee



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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Daniel Alvarez	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

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LATE TESTIMONY

TESTIMONY ON HOUSE BILL 527, RELATING TO UNIFORM MAINTENANCE
ALLOWANCE

PRESENTATION TO THE

COMMITTEE ON VETERANS, MILITARY, & INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS,
& CULTURE AND THE ARTS

BY

MAJOR GENERAL DARRYLL D.M. WONG
ADJUTANT GENERAL, STATE OF HAWAII

January 30, 2013

Good morning Chair Takai, Vice Chair Ito and Committee members:

I'm Major General Darryll D.M. Wong, Adjutant General, State of Hawaii. I appreciate this opportunity to provide testimony in support of House Bill 527.

This allowance, enacted in 1967, provided for an allowance to professionally launder uniforms for enlisted National Guard members.

Today's uniforms are largely made of wash and wear materials, virtually eliminating the need for professional laundering

The numerous benefits accorded by the Hawaii Legislators to National Guard and other military members in recent years will more than cover the loss in funds when the Uniform Maintenance Allowance be repealed.

Thank you for this opportunity to provide testimony on behalf of Hawaii's National Guard members in support of HB 527.

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Harold Alejandro	Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 970	Oppose	No

Comments: >> VFW Recommendation: Oppose Allowance for Uniform Maintenance for enlisted personnel in Theater and the AOR (Areas of Responsibilities) during activation is of great help. Most who deployed into the AORs have benefited in this assistance as the main focus is the MISSION and most "ELISTED PERSONNEL" have benefited in said allowance to defray the laundering costs while being deployed. Thank You for your Time. Hal Alejandro, VFW Post 970 Jr. Vice Commander / Military Liaison / Retired OIE/OEF

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