

LATE TESTIMONY



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**Testimony of
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Before the
Committee on Veterans, Military, & International Affairs, &
Culture and the Arts
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HB 564 Relating to Vehicular Taxes
Chair Takai, Vice Chair Ito and Committee Members**

Our chapter of 500 retired and currently serving officers of the Uniformed Services strongly supports HB 564, which provides a specific vehicular tax for an honorably discharged armed services veteran who is a Hawaii resident and is permanently totally disabled.

We note that it is likely that such a veteran would have a relatively heavy vehicle to accommodate his or her disability, so this tax structure is especially important to those who have given us so much of themselves.

We understand that those charged with issuing state vehicle tax bills understand how the veteran's disability system works and can accommodate this added tax variation.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this testimony.