

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.B. No. 1282

H.D. 1

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim
President of the Senate
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
Regular Session of 2013
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, to which was referred H.B. No. 1282, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY SERVICE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to expand the scope of eligibility requirements for the Hawaii Medal of Honor to include additional service members.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Veterans of Foreign Wars and National Association for Uniformed Services.

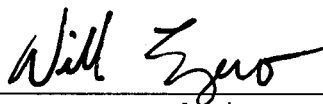
Your Committee finds that the awarding of the Hawaii Medal of Honor expresses the deep appreciation and gratitude of the people of Hawaii to the loved ones of members of the military who sacrificed their lives in defense of the nation and its freedom. This measure expands the eligibility requirements that allow an individual who was killed in action to receive the Hawaii Medal of Honor. Specifically, this measure allows those individuals who were killed in action while providing direct support to military operations in a combat zone, or performing under hostile fire or imminent danger if the duty performed would have qualified the individual for special military pay.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs



that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1282, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Public Safety,
Intergovernmental and Military
Affairs,



WILL ESPERO, Chair



