

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 63

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 5, 2013

RE: H.B. No. 167

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. 167 entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:


The purpose of this measure is to protect the disability benefits earned by disabled veterans by prohibiting courts from considering federal disability benefits awarded to a military veteran when determining the disposition of property pursuant to a divorce decree.

The Oahu Veterans Council and a concerned individual testified in support of this bill.

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. 167 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,

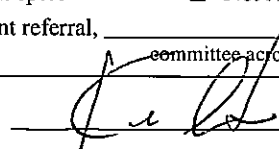

K. MARK TAKAI, Chair



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The Twenty-seventh Legislature

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

Bill/Resolution No.: HB167	Committee Referral: VMI, JUD	Date: 1/30/13		
<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)	10			
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ committee acronym(s) did not support recommendation.				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: 				
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