

Honolulu, Hawaii

RE: H.R. No. 19

Honorable Joseph M. Souki Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Seventh State Legislature Regular Session of 2014 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Veterans, Military, & International Affairs, & Culture and the Arts, to which was referred H.R. No. 19 entitled:

"HOUSE RESOLUTION URGING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO RESTORE THE PRESUMPTION OF A SERVICE CONNECTION FOR AGENT ORANGE EXPOSURE TO UNITED STATES VETERANS WHO SERVED IN THE WATERS DEFINED BY THE COMBAT ZONE AND IN THE AIRSPACE OVER THE COMBAT ZONE IN VIETNAM,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to reaffirm Hawaii's, and the nation's, commitment to the well-being of all of its Vietnam veterans by urging Congress to restore the presumption of a service connection for Agent Orange exposure to United States veterans who served in the waters and in the airspace of the Combat Zone in Vietnam to facilitate access to appropriate disability compensation and medical care.

The National Association for Uniformed Services - Hawaii Chapter testified in support of this measure.

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 concurs with the intent and purpose of H.R. No. 19 and recommends its adoption.

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

K. MARK TAKAI, Chair

State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Twenty-seventh Legislature



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

Bill/Resolution No.:	Committee Referral:			Date:		
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☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.						
The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD) Hold Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)						
VMI Members		Ayes	Ayes (WI	R) Nays	Exc	cused
1. TAKAI, K. Mark (C)		V				
2. ITO, Ken (VC)		V				
3. AWANA, Karen		V	•			i
4. BROWER, Tom						
5. CACHOLA, Romy M.		S				
6. CHOY, Isaac W.		V		,		
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The recommendation is: Adopted If joint referral, Committee acronym(s) Adopted did not support recommendation.						
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:						
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