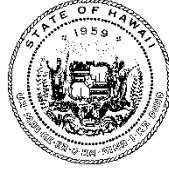


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OF  
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TO THE  
SENATE COMMITTEE  
ON  
WAYS AND MEANS  
ON  
March 25, 2014  
H.B. 2073, H.D. 1

RELATING TO MEMORIALS

Chair Ige and members of the Committee, thank you for the opportunity to submit written testimony on H.B. 2073, H.D. 1.

The Department of Accounting and General Services supports H.B. 2073, H.D. 1 and will work collaboratively with the Office of Veterans' Services and other interested parties to effectuate the purpose of this measure.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit written testimony on this matter.

STATE OF HAWAII  
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

TESTIMONY ON HOUSE BILL 2073, HD1  
A BILL RELATING TO THE VETERANS

PRESENTATION TO  
THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

BY

MAJOR GENERAL DARRYLL D. M. WONG  
ADJUTANT GENERAL AND DIRECTOR OF STATE CIVIL DEFENSE

March 25, 2014

Chair Ige, Vice Chair Kidani, and the Members of the Senate Committee on Ways and Means.

I am Major General Darryll D. M. Wong, Adjutant General and Director of State Civil Defense. I am testifying in **SUPPORT** of House Bill 2073 House Draft 1.

This measure will fund the planning, design, and construction of a Hawaii Gulf War Memorial.

The memorial will honor the sacrifices and contributions of veterans from Hawaii who served in the Persian Gulf War, Operation Desert Storm, Operation Iraqi Freedom, Operation New Dawn, and Operation Enduring Freedom, and service members who engaged in the Global War on Terrorism, Homeland Defense, and Operation Noble Eagle. The Hawaii State Veterans Cemetery in Kaneohe will be the location of the memorial. State veterans' cemeteries statewide will have replicas of the memorial.

This memorial has the support of the Advisory Board on Veterans' Services and veterans groups. This appropriation will allow the process toward the Hawaii Gulf War Memorial to continue.

Thank you for allowing me to testify in **SUPPORT** of HB 2073 House Draft 1.

Testimony

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Testimony on House Bill 2073 HD2, RELATING TO MEMORIALS

Good morning Chair David Ige and Vice Chair Michelle Kidani and members of  
the  
Committee on Ways and Means.

I strongly **support** HB 2073, HD2, which appropriates funds for the planning, design, and construction of a Hawaii Gulf War Memorial to be located at the Hawaii State Veterans Cemetery in Kaneohe, on the island of Oahu and replicas of the memorial to be located at state veterans' cemeteries statewide. I was selected and served as a member of the Task Force which sought to determine the need and placement of this memorial. We met and a committee received public testimony and published and received comment through the use of a statewide survey. The results were presented to the legislature as a report. In short the Task Force found that there was sentiment for such a memorial, that the memorial should include the names and other information about the military members honored on the memorial and that placement of the memorial in the Hawaii State Veterans Cemetery was appropriate provided that replicas be placed within Neighbor Island Veteran Cemeteries.

Based upon public input and the need to complete the memorials the request for five million dollars appears reasonable.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony **in support** of this measure.



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