

STATE OF HAWAII  
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

**LATE TESTIMONY**

TESTIMONY ON HOUSE BILL 525, HD1, (HSCR 9-14)  
RELATING TO FAMILY COURTS

PRESENTATION TO THE

SENATE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND  
MILITARY AFFAIRS

BY

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Good morning Chair Takai, Vice Chair Ito and Committee members:

I'm Ron Han, Director of the State Office of Veterans Services (OVS). I appreciate this opportunity to provide testimony in support of the intent of House Bill 525, HD1.

This measure prohibits courts from considering a veterans disability payment from the Department of Veterans Affairs when determining whether to award allowance for the support and maintenance of a former spouse. A disability award is to help the veteran cope with their lifetime injuries incurred in the line of duty and to be able to survive the day to day stressors of living.

We defer to the agency with direct responsibility for implementation of the special funds regulations.

The OVS supports the concepts and intent expressed in this measure as long as its implementation does not impact or replace the priorities set forth in the Executive Budget for Fiscal Year 2015.

Thank you for this opportunity to provide testimony on behalf of Hawaii's Veterans and their families in support of HB 525, HD1.

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Comments: We are grateful for your efforts to support us veterans administration policy, regarding this issue. Dennis Egge; president

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