

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2402

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 19 2016

RE: S.B. No. 3113

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2016
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and
Military Affairs, to which was referred S.B. No. 3113 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to appropriate
funds for the establishment of a veterans services counselor IV
position within the Office of Veterans' Services to assist all
veterans, with a primary focus on female veterans, who served on
active duty.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from the Department of Defense; Department of Defense Office of
Veterans' Services; Office of Veterans' Services, Hawaii Women
Veterans Subcommittee; Governor's Advisory Board on Veteran
Services; State Veterans Advisory Board; The Sex Abuse Treatment
Center; Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest and Hawaii; Hawaii
State Commission on the Status of Women; Hawaii State Democratic
Women's Caucus; Hawaii Women's Military Task Force Committee; and
five individuals.

Your Committee finds that women have served honorably and
courageously in the armed services of the United States since the
American Revolution. At present, almost fifteen percent of the
United States armed services consists of women, and female
veterans are increasing exponentially in number. The needs of
female veterans and the challenges that they face in getting
services are often different from those experienced by male
veterans. Your Committee finds that the existing support network



for veterans is not sufficient to meet the needs of female veterans. This measure will take steps to address that shortfall.

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 S.B. No. 3113 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

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

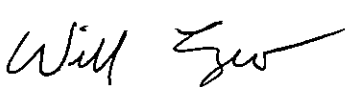


CLARENCE K. NISHIHARA, Chair



The Senate
 Twenty-Eighth Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs
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Bill / Resolution No.:* SB3113	Committee Referral: PSM, WAM	Date: 2/16/16		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
NISHIHARA, Clarence K. (C)	/			
ESPERO, Will (VC)	/			
BAKER, Rosalyn H.	/			
INOUYE, Lorraine R.				/
SLOM, Sam	/			
TOTAL	4			1
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <div style="text-align:center; font-family: cursive; font-size: 1.2em;">  </div>				
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