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Comments: Submitted in behalf of Brigadier General Arthur Logan, Adjutant General and Director of the Hawaii Emergency Management Agency

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STATE OF HAWAII
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TESTIMONY ON HOUSE BILL 878
A BILL RELATING TO THE MILITARY

PRESENTATION TO
THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON VETERANS, MILITARY, & INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS
& CULTURE AND THE ARTS

BY
BRIGADIER GENERAL ARTHUR J. LOGAN
ADJUTANT GENERAL
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February 9, 2015

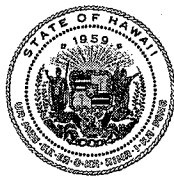
Chair Ito, Vice Chair Tokioka and Members of the House Committee on Veterans, Military, & International Affairs & Culture and the Arts:

I am Brigadier General Arthur J. Logan, the Adjutant General and the Director of the Hawaii Emergency Management Agency. I am providing comments for House Bill 878.

The opportunity to serve in elective office is one of the corner stones of our democracy. This measure will allow deployed members of the Hawaii National Guard and reservists to complete their nomination papers and take oaths using registered or certified mail with a return receipt.

The Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs heard a similar bill, SB633 during their February 5, 2015 hearing. The Chief Elections Officer submitted testimony that the process detailed in that measure could be done under existing statues. The Committee deferred the bill.

Thank you for allowing me to provide comments on House Bill 878.



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TO THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON VETERANS, MILITARY, & INTERNATIONAL
AFFAIRS, & CULTURE AND THE ARTS
ON HOUSE BILL NO. 878
RELATING TO THE MILITARY

February 9, 2015

Chair Ito and members of the House Committee on Veterans, Military, and International Affairs, and Culture and the Arts, thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on House Bill No. 878. The purpose of this bill is to require the Office of Elections to allow reservists and national guard members on active duty who desire to run for office to file their nomination papers and oaths by mail.

Currently, there is no requirement that a candidate file their nomination paper, or take their oath in-person, as long as the nomination paper is properly completed and received by the filing deadline. However, members of the military on active duty may not be candidates for office if they are active for more than 270 days. Department of Defense Directive 1344.10 regarding Political Activities by Members of the Armed Forces provides, in part, the following:

4.2.2. A regular member, or a retired regular or Reserve Component member on active duty under a call or order to active duty for more than 270 days, may not be a nominee or candidate for the offices described in subparagraph 4.2.1., except when the Secretary concerned grants permission.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on House Bill No. 878.

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Date: February 06, 2015

To: Representative Ken Ito, Chair
Representative James Kunane Tokioka, Vice Chair
Committee on Veterans, Military, & International Affairs, & Culture and the Arts

From: Mike Golojuch, Lt Col, USAF (Ret), Chair, Advisory Board on Veterans' Services

Subject: Support for HB878

As the Chair, Advisory Board on Veterans' Services, we support the intent and purpose of HB878.

We urge that you pass this measure.

Thank you for the opportunity to express the views of the Advisory Board.