

SB 2256, SD1

TESTIMONY

STATE OF HAWAII
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

TESTIMONY ON SENATE BILL 2256 SD1, RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLE DRIVER
LICENSING

PRESENTATION TO THE
COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND ENERGY

BY

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Good afternoon Chair Inouye, Vice Chair Gabbard, and members of the Committee:

I'm Ron Han, Director of the State Office of Veterans Services. I appreciate this opportunity to provide testimony in support of the intent of Senate Bill 2256 SD1 as long as its implementation does not impact or replace the priorities set forth in the Executive Budget.

This bill would authorize issuance of driver's licenses with the notation of "Veteran" for persons who are veterans of the Korean Conflict. Under HRS 286-109 (a) and (a) 3, guidance reads for the issuance of the card licenses: "***Veteran means any person who served in any of the uniformed services of the United States and was discharged under conditions other than dishonorable.***"

Thank you for this opportunity to offer my comments.

Statement of
James Shim
President of the Korean War Veterans Association Aloha Chapter
before the
SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND ENERGY
Tuesday, February 16, 2016
2:45 p.m.
State Capitol, Conference Room 229
in consideration of SB 2256 SD1
RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLE DRIVER LICENSING

Chair Inouye, Vice Chair Gabbard, and Members of the Committee.

I support Senate Bill 2256 SD1, which authorizes issuance of driver's licenses with the notation of "veteran" for persons who are veterans of the Korean conflict.

This bill ensures that veterans of the Korean conflict are given proper recognition and access to documentation of their veteran status.

I support the amendments made by the Senate Committee Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs to recognize persons who served in the armed forces of the Republic of Korea, who fought under the command of the United Nations led by the United States, during the Korean conflict and are currently United States citizens as being eligible for "veteran" notation on their driver's license.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.