Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 28, 2018

RE: H.C.R. No. 174 H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Ninth State Legislature Regular Session of 2018 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Veterans, Military, & International Affairs, & Culture and the Arts, to which was referred H.C.R. No. 174 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE OFFICE OF VETERANS' SERVICES TO STUDY HOW THE INCREASE IN BURIAL SERVICE REQUESTS HAS AFFECTED THE HAWAII STATE VETERANS CEMETERY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to request the Office of Veterans' Services to report to the Legislature on how the increase in burial service requests has affected the Hawaii State Veterans Cemetery.

Your committee received testimony in support from the State of Hawaii DoD, Hawaii State Office of Veterans Services, Oahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawaii, Hoomanapono Political Action Committee (HPAC), and four individuals.

Your committee noted that the backlog is partially caused by an annual increase in burial service requests during the winter months of November through March. Your committee has amended this measure by requesting 1-year, 5-year, and 10-year plans for cemetery operations, including staff, burial space, honor guard availability, and budget estimates.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Veterans, Military, & International Affairs, & Culture and the Arts that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.C.R. No. 174, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance in the form attached hereto as H.C.R. No. 174, H.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Veterans, Military, & International Affairs, & Culture and the Arts,

MATTHEW S. LOPRESTI, Chair

State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Twenty-ninth Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Veterans, Military, & International Affairs, & Culture and the Arts

Bill/Resolution No.: HCR 174	Committee Referral:	Date:	22/18	
☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD) Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
VMI Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. LoPRESTI, Matthew S. (C)	~			
2. FUKUMOTO, Beth (VC)				
3. CACHOLA, Romy M.				
J. CACHOLA, Rolly IV.				
4. CHOY, Isaac W.		Principal Consult of the Consult of		
5. ITO, Ken				
6. OHNO, Takashi			Robin - Total St	
7. ONISHI, Richard H.K.				
7. ONISHI, Kularu II.K.				
8. TOKIOKA, James Kunane				
9. WOODSON, Justin H.	~			
10. WARD, Gene	\			
TOTAL (10)	9	·		/
The recommendation is: Adopted If joint referral, did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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