

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 28, 2018

RE: H.R. No. 146  
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.R. No. 146 entitled:

"HOUSE 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 Hawaii State Office of Veterans Services, the Oahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawaii, and one individual.

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.R. No. 146, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance in the form attached hereto as H.R. No. 146, H.D. 1.

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

  
MATTHEW S. LOPESTI, Chair



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

Bill/Resolution No.: <b>HR 146</b>	Committee Referral: <b>VMI, FIN</b>	Date: <b>3/22/18</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> 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.	✓			
4. CHOY, Isaac W.	✓			
5. ITO, Ken	✓			
6. OHNO, Takashi	✓			
7. ONISHI, Richard H.K.	✓			
8. TOKIOKA, James Kunane	✓			
9. WOODSON, Justin H.	✓			
10. WARD, Gene	✓			
<b>TOTAL (10)</b>	<b>9</b>			<b>1</b>
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <div style="text-align:center; font-size: small;">committee acronym(s)</div>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: _____ 				
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