

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.C.R. No. 102

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirtieth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2019
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health,
to which was referred S.C.R. No. 102 entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION DECLARING JUNE 27 OF EACH YEAR
AS POST-TRAUMATIC STRESS INJURY AWARENESS DAY AND DESIGNATING
THE MONTH OF JUNE OF EACH YEAR AS POST-TRAUMATIC STRESS
INJURY AWARENESS MONTH IN HAWAII,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to declare June 27
of each year as Post-Traumatic Stress Injury Awareness Day and
designate the month of June of each year as Post-Traumatic Stress
Injury Awareness Month in Hawaii.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from one individual.

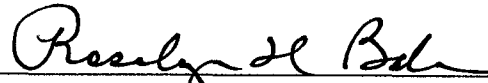
Your Committee finds that post-traumatic stress disorder was
first recognized by the American Psychiatric Association in 1980
to more accurately understand and treat veterans who had endured
severe operational combat stress. However, post-traumatic stress
is not limited to veterans and can occur following any extreme
traumatic event including interpersonal violence, life-threatening
accidents, or natural disaster. Severe post-traumatic stress is a
very common and treatable injury to the brain, and timely
treatment can diminish complications and prevent suicides among
those affected by it. However, this type of trauma has
historically been cast as a mental illness rather than as an



injury, which can discourage those affected from seeking proper and timely medical treatment. Your Committee further finds that de-stigmatizing this condition by emphasizing that it is an injury and not a disorder and raising awareness of the symptoms and treatability of post-traumatic stress injury may encourage more people to seek timely medical treatment.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 102 and recommends its adoption.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Commerce, Consumer
Protection, and Health,




ROSALYN H. BAKER, Chair



The Senate
Thirtieth Legislature
State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
SCR 102	CPH	3/21/19		
<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
BAKER, Rosalyn H. (C)	✓			
CHANG, Stanley (VC)	✓			
KEOHOKALOOLE, Jarrett				✓
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.	✓			
RUDERMAN, Russell E.	✓			
THIELEN, Laura H.	✓			
FEVELLA, Kurt	✓			
TOTAL	6			1
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes