THE SENATE THIRTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE, 2022 STATE OF HAWAII

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### A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO A MEMORIAL.

### BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the office of 2 veterans services, pursuant to Act 139, Session Laws of Hawaii 2013, and with the assistance of the department of accounting 3 and general services, department of defense, and state historic 4 5 preservation division, developed a plan to establish a memorial 6 honoring the veterans of the Persian Gulf War, Operation Desert 7 Storm, Operation Iraqi Freedom, Operation Enduring Freedom, Operation New Dawn, Global War on Terrorism, Homeland Defense, 8 9 and Operation Noble Eagle and those who have protected our 10 borders by land, sea, and air. In 2014, the "Gulf War Memorial 11 Task Force 2014 Legislative Report", prepared by the department 12 of defense, office of veterans services, was presented to the 13 legislature. The report included a recommendation requesting an 14 appropriation to plan, design, and construct a memorial and 15 replicas honoring these and other service members of the United 16 States armed forces who have protected our borders.

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1 The legislature also finds that since then, many more men and women have continued to serve in the United States armed 2 3 forces and have made sacrifices for and contributions to 4 preserving American liberties and protecting its borders. 5 Additionally, the legislature finds that public memorials are an essential form of recognition and remembrance to honor United 6 7 States veterans and military personnel who have served in and died as a result of war and conflict. 8

9 The purpose of this Act is to appropriate moneys for plans 10 and design of a memorial and replicas honoring veterans of the 11 Persian Gulf War, Operation Desert Storm, Operation Iraqi 12 Freedom, Operation Enduring Freedom, Operation New Dawn, Global 13 War on Terrorism, Homeland Defense, and Operation Noble Eagle 14 and those who have protected our borders by land, sea, and air.

15 SECTION 2. The director of finance is authorized to issue 16 general obligation bonds in the sum of \$ or so much 17 thereof as may be necessary and the same sum or so much thereof 18 as may be necessary is appropriated for fiscal year 2022-2023 as 19 follows:

20 (1) \$ for plans; and 21 (2) \$ for design,

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1 for the purpose of a memorial honoring veterans of the Persian 2 Gulf War, Operation Desert Storm, Operation Iraqi Freedom, 3 Operation Enduring Freedom, Operation New Dawn, Global War on 4 Terrorism, Homeland Defense, and Operation Noble Eagle and those 5 who have protected our borders by land, sea, and air, and for 6 replicas of the memorial on each neighbor island, as recommended 7 by the Gulf War memorial task force pursuant to Act 139, Session 8 Laws of Hawaii 2013.

9 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the office of 10 veterans services for the purposes of this Act.

11 SECTION 3. The appropriation made for the capital 12 improvement project authorized by this Act shall not lapse at 13 the end of the fiscal biennium for which the appropriation is 14 made; provided that all moneys from the appropriation 15 unencumbered as of June 30, 2024, shall lapse as of that date. 16 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2022. 17

INTRODUCED BY:

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### Report Title:

Veterans' Memorial; GO Bonds; Appropriation

#### Description:

Authorizes the issuance of bonds and appropriates funds for plans and design of a veterans' memorial, and replicas of the memorial on each neighbor island, as recommended by the Gulf War memorial task force pursuant to Act 139, Session Laws of Hawaii 2013.

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