

ACT 220

H.B. NO. 1247

A Bill for an Act Reinstating November 11 as Veterans' Day.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. Purpose and findings. The Hawaii State Veterans Council, composed of representatives of the Veterans of Foreign Wars; American Legion; Disabled American Veterans; Fleet Reserve Association; Filipino American Veterans Club; Pearl Harbor Survivor's Association; Hawaii Filipino Veterans

Club; Military Intelligence Association; Retired Enlisted Association; Noncommissioned Officers Association; and the 1399th Engineers Veterans Club, favors changing the celebration of Veterans Day from its present date to November 11th of each year. The legislature further notes that the major national veterans organizations are requesting the Congress of the United States to amend federal law to change Veterans' Day to November 11th, the original day of Armistice signifying the end of World War I to date. Forty-two states of the United States have enacted legislation effecting the desired change of celebrating Veterans' Day on November 11th.

SECTION 2. Section 8-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 8-1 Holidays designated. The following days of each year are set apart and established as state holidays:

The first day of January, New Year's Day;

The third Monday in February, President's Day;

The twenty-sixth day of March, Kuhio Day;

The Friday preceding Easter Sunday, Good Friday;

The last Monday in May, Memorial Day;

The eleventh day of June, Kamehameha Day;

The fourth day of July, Independence Day;

The third Friday in August, Admission Day;

The first Monday in September, Labor Day;

The second Monday in October, Discoverer's Day;

The eleventh day in November, Veterans' Day;

The twenty-fifth day of December, Christmas Day;

All election days, except primary election day, in the county wherein the election is held;

Any day designated by proclamation by the President of the United States as a day of thanksgiving, fasting or religious observance;

Any day designated by proclamation by the governor as a holiday."

SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed. New material is underscored. In printing this Act, the revisor of statutes need not include the brackets, the bracketed material, or the underscoring.*

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved June 9, 1976.)

*Edited accordingly.