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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 freedom and security that United States  
2 (U.S.) citizens enjoy today are direct results of the sacrifices  
3 and continued vigilance of the U.S. armed forces over the course  
4 of our nation's history. The sacrifices of the members of the  
5 U.S. armed forces have preserved the liberties of this nation  
6 that have made it unique in the world community. Members of the  
7 U.S. armed forces engaged in the Persian Gulf War, from  
8 August 2, 1990, to February 28, 1991, which culminated in the  
9 liberation of Kuwait from Iraq. The U.S. air-and-land conflict,  
10 known as Operation Desert Storm, began on January 17, 1991, and  
11 lasted through April 11, 1991. Operation Iraqi Freedom was a  
12 military campaign led by U.S. troops that began on March 20,  
13 2003, and lasted through August 31, 2010. It was later named  
14 "Operation New Dawn" on September 1, 2010. Also known as the  
15 "War in Afghanistan", Operation Enduring Freedom is an ongoing  
16 war effort that began on October 7, 2001. Members of the U.S.  
17 Armed Forces also engaged in the Global War on Terrorism,  
18 Homeland Defense, Operation Noble Eagle, and protected our



1 borders by land, sea, and air. On July 24, 1994, Hawaii  
2 dedicated the Korean and Vietnam Memorial on the grounds of the  
3 State Capitol. Thus, it is both fitting and necessary for the  
4 State to give tangible and visible recognition of the sacrifices  
5 and contributions of veterans from Hawaii who served in the  
6 Persian Gulf War, Operation Desert Storm, Operation Iraqi  
7 Freedom, Operation Enduring Freedom, Operation New Dawn, Global  
8 War on Terrorism, Homeland Defense, Operation Noble Eagle, and  
9 who protected our borders by land, sea, and air.

10 SECTION 2. The office of veterans' services, with the  
11 assistance of the department of accounting and general services  
12 and the department of defense, shall develop a plan to establish  
13 a memorial honoring the veterans of the Persian Gulf War,  
14 Operation Desert Storm, Operation Iraqi Freedom, Operation  
15 Enduring Freedom, Operation New Dawn, Global War on Terrorism,  
16 Homeland Defense, and Operation Noble Eagle, and those who have  
17 protected our borders by land, sea, and air, in the historic  
18 district of Honolulu.

19 A public hearing shall be held to receive comments or input  
20 from interested organizations and residents.

21 SECTION 3. The office of veterans' services, with the  
22 assistance of the department of accounting and general services



1 and department of defense, shall submit a report of the findings  
2 and recommendations to the legislature no later than January 1,  
3 2014.

4 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.



**Report Title:**

Memorial; Persian Gulf War; Operation Desert Storm; Operation Iraqi Freedom; Operation Enduring Freedom; Operation New Dawn; Global War on Terrorism; Homeland Defense; operation Noble Eagle; Border Patrol

**Description:**

Directs the office of veterans services, with the assistance of DAGS and state DOD, to develop a plan to establish a memorial honoring the veterans of the Persian Gulf War, Operation Desert Storm, Operation Iraqi Freedom, Operation Enduring Freedom, Operation New Dawn, Global War on Terrorism, Homeland Defense, Operation Noble Eagle, and border patrol. Requires a report to the Legislature. Effective 7/1/50. (SD2)

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