

STAND. COM. REP. NO. **598**

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR - 1 2013

RE: S.B. No. 539
S.D. 2

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim
President of the Senate
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
Regular Session of 2013
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 539, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO VETERANS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to exempt certain totally and permanently disabled veterans from motor vehicle registration expenses under section 286-51, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Office of Veterans Services and one individual.

Your Committee received written comments on this measure from the Department of Customer Services, City and County of Honolulu.

Your Committee finds that it is necessary to help those brave men and women who have served valiantly in the United States military and sacrificed to make our country safe. Your Committee finds that an exemption from motor vehicle registration fees will provide financial relief to disabled veterans who reside in the State, many of whom are unable to pursue paid employment due to their total and permanent service-related disability.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2050, to encourage further discussion on the measure; and

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- (2) Making technical nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of style, clarity, and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 539, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 539, S.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Ways and Means,



DAVID Y. IGE, Chair



The Senate
 Twenty-Seventh Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

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The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.
 If so, then the previous decision was to: _____

The Recommendation is:

Pass, unamended 2312 Pass, with amendments 2311 Hold 2310 Recommit 2313

Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
IGE, David Y. (C)	✓			
KIDANI, Michelle N. (VC)	✓			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne	✓			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.	✓			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	✓			
ESPERO, Will	✓			
KAHELE, Gilbert	✓			
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C.	✓			
KOUCHI, Ronald D.	✓			
RUDERMAN, Russell E.	✓			
THIELEN, Laura H.	✓			
TOKUDA, Jill N.	✓			
SLOM, Sam	✓			
TOTAL	13	0	0	0

Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted

Chair's or Designee's Signature: *Michelle N. Kidani*

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