

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 28 2013

RE: S.B. No. 965

S.D. 1

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

Madam:

Your Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, to which was referred S.B. No. 965 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PROFESSIONAL AND VOCATIONAL LICENSING,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to establish:

- (1) Qualifications for nonresident military spouses eligible for expedited procedures for professional and vocational licensing by endorsement or reciprocity, and temporary licensing; and
- (2) Requirements for nonresident military spouses to maintain licenses and report changes in status or circumstances that may affect licensure.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Professional and Vocational Licensing Division of the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs and The Chamber of Commerce of Hawaii. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from one individual.

Your Committee finds many military spouses accompany their service member spouses on military duty assignments. Your Committee further finds that this measure tracks efforts led by the current Presidential Administration to simplify and expedite the employment of trained, educated, and highly qualified military

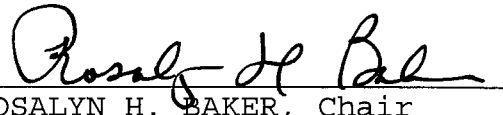


spouses who accompany their service member spouses on military duty assignments. Your Committee also finds that this measure, as introduced, requires an otherwise qualified military spouse to have been stationed in Hawaii for at least one year, thus delaying the certification process by at least one year. Amendments to this measure are therefore necessary to clarify this language.

Accordingly, your Committee has amended this measure by clarifying that the qualifications for a "nonresident military spouse" include being married to a service member spouse who is stationed in Hawaii pursuant to military permanent change of station orders issued by the United States Department of Defense.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 965, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 965, S.D. 1.

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



ROSALYN H. BAKER, Chair



The Senate
 Twenty-Seventh Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection
CPN

Bill / Resolution No.:* SB 965	Committee Referral: PSM, CPN	Date: 2/26/13		
<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 type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" 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)	✓			
GALUTERIA, Brickwood (VC)	✓			
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.	✓			
SOLOMON, Malama	✓			
TANIGUCHI, Brian T.	✓			
WAKAI, Glenn	✓			
SLOM, Sam				✓
TOTAL	6			1
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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