

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

719

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 06 2015

RE: S.B. No. 181  
S.D. 1

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2015  
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 181, 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 honor those whose educations were interrupted due to compulsory military service or wartime practices.

Specifically, this measure allows, until June 30, 2020, the Department of Education to continue awarding high school diplomas to:

- (1) Qualified veterans who did not receive a high school diploma as a result of compulsory induction into active service in the Armed Services of the United States; or
- (2) Any person whose high school education was interrupted due to wartime practices, including internment during World War II.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Department of Defense, Office of Veteran Services, and one individual.

Your Committee finds that compulsory induction into active service in the Armed Services of the United States and other wartime practices caused individuals to defer their educational

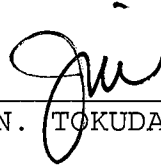
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goals. Your Committee further finds that continuation of this program to award high school diplomas to these individuals allows them to receive the recognition and gratitude from the State for their wartime sacrifices to their country.

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. 181, S.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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




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JILL N. TOKUDA, Chair



The Senate  
 Twenty-Eighth Legislature  
 State of Hawai'i

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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
SB 181 SD1	PSM/EDU, WAM	2/26/15		
<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
TOKUDA, Jill N. (C)	✓			
KOUCHI, Ronald D. (VC)	✓			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne				✓
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.				✓
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	✓			
GALUTERIA, Brickwood				✓
HARIMOTO, Breene	✓			
INOUYE, Lorraine R.	✓			
RIVIERE, Gil	✓			
RUDERMAN, Russell E.	✓			
SLOM, Sam	✓			
<b>TOTAL</b>	8	0	0	3
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <div style="text-align:center; font-family: cursive; font-size: 1.2em;">  </div>				
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