

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

475

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 20, 2015

RE: H.B. No. 1153

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2015
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Transportation, to which was referred H.B. No. 1153 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO VETERANS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to recognize the sacrifices made by members of the armed services by exempting certain totally and permanently disabled veterans from paying motor vehicle registration expenses.

The Advisory Board to the Office of Veterans' Services, Military Officers Association of America-Hawaii Chapter, and several concerned individuals testified in support of this measure. The Office of Veterans Services supported the intent of this measure. The Department of Transportation and Tax Foundation of Hawaii provided comments.

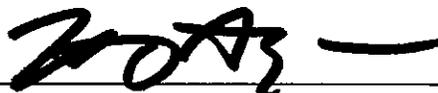
Your Committee finds that the men and women of our armed forces have served valiantly in support of the United States. Many of these veterans have sacrificed much, which has resulted in their becoming totally and permanently disabled. Oftentimes, these veterans are hindered in their pursuit of employment due to their disability and their fixed income generally falls short of their cost-of-living. Your Committee finds that exempting certain totally and permanently disabled veterans from paying motor vehicle registration expenses would improve the quality of life for these veterans and their dependents and is a small token of appreciation for their service to our country.

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As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Transportation that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1153 and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Transportation,



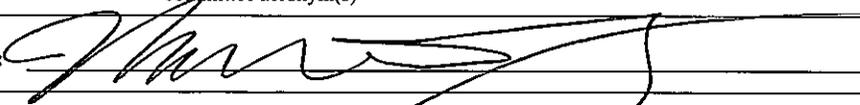
HENRY J.C. AQUINO, Chair



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Record of Votes of the Committee on Transportation

Bill/Resolution No.: <i>HB 1153</i>	Committee Referral: <i>VMI, TRN, FIN</i>	Date: <i>02/18/2015</i>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
TRN Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. AQUINO, Henry J.C. (C)	X			
2. LOPRESTI, Matthew S. (VC)	X			
3. HAR, Sharon E.	X			
4. ICHIYAMA, Linda	X			
5. JOHANSON, Aaron Ling	X			
6. KEOHOKALOLE, Jarrett	X			
7. NAKASHIMA, Mark M.	X			
8. SAN BUENAVENTURA, Joy A.	X			
9. TAKAYAMA, Gregg	X			
10. TAKUMI, Roy M.	X			
11. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.	X			
12. TUPOLA, Andria P.L.				X
TOTAL (12)	11			1
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: 				
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