

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

February 5, 2019

RE: H.B. No. 378

H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirtieth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2019
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Public Safety, Veterans, & Military
Affairs, to which was referred H.B. No. 378 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FILIPINO VETERANS BURIAL
ASSISTANCE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to establish a stable and
dedicated funding source for repatriation and burial costs for
Filipino-American World War II veterans by appropriating funds to
the Office of Veterans Services for the provision of burial grants
for Filipino-American World War II veterans, subject to certain
conditions.

The Hawai'i Civil Rights Commission, Filipino American
Citizens League, The Filipino Veterans Recognition and Education
Project, Region 11, O'ahu County Committee on Legislative
Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i, Filipina Advocacy
Network, Filipino Community Center, Inc., University of Hawai'i
Pamantasan Council, and several individuals supported this
measure. The Department of Budget and Finance and State Office of
Veterans Services provided comments.

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Your Committee has amended this measure by:

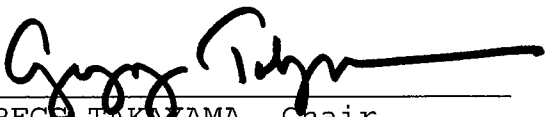
- (1) Changing the appropriation for burial grants for Filipino-American World War II veterans to an unspecified amount; and
- (2) Changing its effective date to January 1, 2050, to encourage further discussion.

Should the Committee on Finance deliberate this measure further, your Committee on Public Safety, Veterans, & Military Affairs respectfully requests that it consider:

- (1) Appropriating \$100,000 for fiscal years 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 for burial grants for Filipino-American World War II veterans; and
- (2) Whether unexpended funds should lapse.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Public Safety, Veterans, & Military Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 378, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 378, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Public Safety,
Veterans, & Military Affairs,



GREGG TAKAYAMA, Chair



Record of Votes of the Committee on Public Safety, Veterans, & Military Affairs

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 378	Committee Referral: PVM, FIN	Date: 01/30/19		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" 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)				
PVM Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. TAKAYAMA, Gregg (C)	✓			
2. GATES, Cedric Asuega (VC)	✓			
3. KOBAYASHI, Dale T.	✓			
4. KONG, Sam Satoru	✓			
5. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y.	✓			
6. OHNO, Takashi	✓			
7. McDERMOTT, Bob				✓
TOTAL (7)	6			1
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <small align="center">committee acronym(s)</small>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: _____ <i>(Signature)</i>				
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