A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO FILIPINO VETERANS BURIAL ASSISTANCE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

SECTION 1. There is appropriated out of the general revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of $50,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2019-2020 and the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2020-2021 for burial grants for Filipino-American World War II veterans, which cover funeral and burial costs, including the cost of returning their remains to the Philippines for burial; provided that:

(1) Federal funding remains unavailable for this purpose;

(2) There remain eligible Filipino-American World War II veterans living in the State; and

(3) The funds are matched on a one-to-one basis with private funds.

The sums appropriated shall be expended by the office of veterans' services for the purposes of this Act; provided that the office shall establish the amount of burial grant funds that may be disbursed on behalf of a Filipino-American World War II veteran.

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SECTION 2. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2019.
Report Title:
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Description:
Appropriates funds for burial grants for qualifying Filipino-American World War II veterans to provide funeral and burial services and transportation of their remains to the Philippines, subject to certain conditions. (CD1)

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