

SENATE MILITARY AND VETERANS' AFFAIRS
COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION No. 110

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MARCH 13, 2023

The Senate Military and Veterans' Affairs Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 110.

As amended, this concurrent resolution honors the Korean veterans of the Vietnam War and recognizes the sacrifices of those who served alongside the United States during the conflict. The Republic of Korea (ROK) amassed a military in Vietnam second only to the United States, with over 300,000 troops being deployed over the course of their involvement in the conflict. The Korean troops provided effective operations and were relied on by the American war planners to provide protection to the South Vietnamese and prevent the North Vietnamese and Vietcong from dominating the areas. These veterans played a significant role in averting communist dominance in the South China Sea region.

As a result of the sacrifices that come with promoting life and liberty, over 5,000 ROK military personnel were killed and over 11,000 injured in addition to the approximately 58,000 United States military personnel killed and over 300,000 wounded. After the war, it is estimated that roughly 3,000 Koreans who fought in Vietnam became naturalized in the United States. Of these citizens, it is estimated that roughly 20 percent suffer from long-term health effects that directly resulted from their participation in the war.

New Jersey appreciates the United States and Korean veterans who served in Vietnam and promoted life and liberty.

As reported by the committee, this bill is identical to Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 140, which is also reported by the committee on this date.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

There was a technical amendment to the bill to add a word that was inadvertently omitted. The amendment makes the resolution identical to its assembly counterpart.