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Kauai asks relief for guardsmen

LIHUE, Kauai—Consideration for Kauai's guardsmen and their families, affected by the call-up for active duty, was urged by the Board of Supervisors yesterday.

The resolution introduced by Supervisor Louie Gonsalves requesting President Johnson's reconsideration of the mobilization order was altered to request relief measures.

The mobilization, affecting more than 150 men, will considerably weaken Kauai's resources for disaster or emergency, the resolution said. The call-up will also seriously weaken the economy of Kauai.

The resolution said the families will suddenly be faced with substantial reduction in income. It urged President Johnson to make available to such families on this Island, the facilities of post exchange, commissary and

military medical services.

Kauai's guardsmen have never hesitated to answer the call to serve, Gonsalves asserted. But some are 48 to 50 years old, he said, with six to eight children and now earning \$600 and \$700. Upon mobilization, they will be getting only \$300 a month.