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Proponent Testimony (Written)
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Hello my name is Jeffery Kohler and I served in the United States Navy from 2005 to 2012 and I want to thank Chairman Johnson, Vice Chair Cirino, and Ranking Member Williams for the opportunity to offer my written proponent testimony on SB153

I was deployed to an Army unit from 2008-2009 in Iraq and was originally on USS San Antonio LPD17. During my deployment I felt the blast wave from a 60 or 80mm mortar (deadly cannon like weapon) that landed in close proximity to my location. Mortars will kill anybody within a certain radius of where it lands depending on what explosive (if explosive) was in it and how big. I have been suffering the consequences since 2008 and I was medically discharged in 2012.

I heard about TMS from a fellow patient. I have only had 5 treatments and those went great.