

#### ON THE FOLLOWING MEASURE:

S.B. NO. 1007, SD 2, PROPOSED HD 1 RELATING TO PUBLIC LAND LIABILITY.

#### **BEFORE THE:**

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

DATE: Thursday, January 30, 2014 TIME: 2:00 p.m.

**LOCATION:** State Capitol, Room 325

TESTIFIER(S): David M. Louie, Attorney General, or

Robin M. Kishi, Deputy Attorney General

#### Chair Rhoads and Members of the Committee:

The Department of the Attorney General strongly supports this bill.

The purpose of this bill is two-fold. First, and most significantly, the bill will make Act 82, Session Laws of Hawaii 2003, permanent. Act 82 had been successful in improving the safety of public lands for public users by establishing a comprehensive statewide system in which hazards thereon are identified and evaluated for the placement of appropriate warning signs and devices.

The system includes the design of state-of-the-art warning signs, evaluation of placement of those signs, and signage maintenance and monitoring guidelines. If the governmental entity proposes its plan for the warning of a dangerous condition for consideration by the Risk Assessment Working Group, and approval by the Board of Land and Natural Resources, the governmental entity is afforded a conclusive presumption that the hazard-appropriate sign posted provides legally adequate warning of the dangerous condition of which it warns.

The enactment of Act 82 has spurred the State and counties to be more proactive in their hazard identification and risk assessment. The law has also encouraged the uniformity of signs statewide.

Act 82 must be made permanent. The need to preserve the system that the law established is even more imperative now, as Hawaii continues to maintain it status as, and grow, as a destination for visitors seeking outdoor activities, some of which may be very risky.

If it is allowed to sunset on June 30, 2014, the counties and State may gradually lapse and revert to use of more island specific and idiosyncratic signage and placement. Eventually, the comprehensive statewide hazard evaluation and warning system will dissolve to the detriment of our visitor and residents.

Second, the proposed amendments to section 2 of Act 82 will extend the conclusive presumption that posted Act 82 signage as legally adequate warning of dangerous conditions to "non-natural" conditions on unimproved lands. The State has already begun to post Act 82 signs on unimproved lands on which both natural and non-natural conditions have been identified. However, at present, the law does not afford the State a conclusive presumption even when appropriate signs are posted.

For example, the Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) posted Act 82, and other, warning signs at the head of and along an unofficial trail that leads to a cliff face in Mokuleia that rock climbers have been using for a number of years. Unfortunately, however, notwithstanding DLNR's efforts, under the wording contained in the current law, the State is not given a presumption that it has provided adequately warning of the dangers at this site. DLNR also posted similar signs along a path that leads to at a smaller cliff face on unimproved land in Makapuu that is also used by rock climbers.

By amending Act 82 to include the proposed wording, the law will encourage the State and counties to be proactive in identifying and evaluating non-natural dangerous conditions on unimproved lands. The identification and evaluation of non-natural dangerous conditions on unimproved lands may become increasing more important and, therefore, should be encouraged, as both visitors and residents alike expand their recreational activities beyond the park lands and official statewide trail system.

We respectfully and strongly recommend that this bill be passed.

NEIL ABERCROMBIE





# STATE OF HAWAII DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES

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Testimony of WILLIAM J. AILA, JR. Chairperson

Before the House Committee on JUDICIARY

Thursday, January 30, 2014 2:00 PM State Capitol, Conference Room 325

#### In consideration of SENATE BILL 1007, SENATE DRAFT 2, PROPOSED HOUSE DRAFT 1 RELATING TO PUBLIC LAND LIABILITY

Senate Bill 1007, Senate Draft 2, Proposed House Draft 1 proposes to make permanent liability protections associated with warning signs for outdoor recreation on public lands. The proposed House Draft (HD) 1 expands notification requirements to include dangerous non-natural conditions on unimproved public lands and has an effective date of June 2014. **The Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) strongly supports this measure.** 

Since the passage of legislation in the form of Act 82, Session Laws of Hawaii 2003, and in the ensuing 11 years, the Department has initiated a comprehensive sign program that is deployed statewide in public recreational areas associated with parks and wilderness trails. These actions have resulted in a variety of critical outcomes and now institutionalized management practices associated with Act 82:

- The creation of a statewide risk assessment working group that established general design and placement standards for of warning signs and continues to review the placement of these signs and new design as warranted by conditions and exposure.
- The promulgation of Chapter 13-8, Hawaii Administrative Rules, for the Design and Placement of Warning Signs
- The approval process through the Board of Land and Natural Resources (Board) on the placement, and as warranted, the design of new warning signs.
- Sign inspection that includes records of the date of each sign location Board approval, installation, and the sign's condition over time.
- Over 400 Act 82 warning signs have been installed and are maintained by the Divisions of State Parks and Forestry and Wildlife, Na Ala Hele Trails and Access Program

#### WILLIAM J. AILA, JR.

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In addition to making Act 82 permanent after 11 years of departmental and county implementation, Senate Bill 1007 Senate Draft 2, Proposed House Draft 1 contains language that would allow for liability protection on public land where recreational activities such as rock climbing occur, with the posting of warning signs associated with exposure to hazards associated with this activity.

The public now has a become accustomed to seeing the uniform, standard signs warning of potential exposure to hazardous natural conditions at managed trailheads and park entrances - in addition to at the actual point of exposure - across the State of Hawaii.

This sign program strikes the balance between the government's duty to warn and the public' responsibility to heed that warning, and make an informed choice before engaging in recreational activity.

It is time to now make this warning management protocol permanent.

Again, the Department is in strong support of passage of this measure, as this legislation is critical due to the proliferation of recreational use and the need for the public to make an informed choice while also protecting the government from either having to close an area or expend vast amounts of public funds to attempt to mitigate natural conditions that are beyond the scope of any funding and mitigation detrimental to the integrity of Hawaii's natural resources.

Submitted on: 1/29/2014

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Clayton Honma	County of Hawaii,Department of Parks & Recreation	Support	No

#### Comments:

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
rex howard	IMBA	Support	No

Comments: International Mountain Biking Association supports any effort to keep open trails for public use. Limiting liability to give the public access is wise policy. Oahu has NO Safe routes to schools are any other place for that matter, so lets keep the lands open and free for riding our bicycles. Thanks, Rex Howard. Pearl City.

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Brian Stuenkel	CAMP-USA Inc.	Support	No

Comments: We, the employees of C.A.M.P. USA Inc. possible visitors to Hawaii very strongly support the passage of SB 1007 (HD1) and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent. We support this measure because we cherish our right to freely enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains including hiking, biking, trail running, climbing, paragliding and other activities. We are concerned about the State's current absence of liability protection, which has led to ongoing closures of climbing areas, hiking trails, and other scenic sites due to the State's legitimate fear of lawsuits. We strongly believe that public lands need to remain open to the public. In comparison to other western states, Hawaii's recreational liability statutes are sorely lacking. We do not want to see access to mountain sports across the Hawaiian Islands denied or restricted due to a group of 4,000 trial attorneys. We strongly disagree with previous testimony against liability reform in Hawaii that suggests that the status quo is in the best interest of the public, or that status quo will keep us safer by holding the State liable for accidents (such as the Brem case in 2012). We are responsible citizens who recognize the assumed risks in engaging in recreational activities on State lands. We believe that individuals who choose to go hiking, climbing, mountain biking, paragliding, or who choose to engage in any other recreational use of public lands, should do so at their own risk. Without the passage of this bill, the State of Hawaii is left with very little protection from litigation resulting from injuries that occur on State lands. We believe the lack of liability protection is untenable, especially given the ever-growing popularity of mountain recreation to residents in Hawaii and visitors, comprising our tourist economy. This bill is an agreeable compromise. It notably does not provide the State with absolute immunity, but does require that those engaging in hazardous recreational activities accept the risks associated with their actions. This bill will effectively balance State responsibilities (to maintain public trail systems and to warn of possible hazards) with individual responsibilities. Thus, we fully endorse this essential legislation provided in SB 1007 (HD1) and urge the Hawaii State Legislature to pass it into law.

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January 28, 2014

The Honorable Karl Rhoads, Chair, and members of the Judiciary Committee State House of Representatives Hawaii State Capitol 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Testimony of Alex Colby on behalf of the Hawaii Paragliding Association in SUPPORT of S.B. 1007, HD 1

Date: Thursday, January 30, 2014

Time: 2:00 pm - hearing

Dear Chair Rhoads and Committee Members:

The Hawaii paragliding community is united with the climbing and hiking communities, and other Hawaii outdoor recreation groups, in our desire to promote responsible access to public lands, without undue liability for the state or other landowners. Therefore we strongly support the passage of S.B. 1007 HD1 and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent.

We believe this bill will effectively balance state responsibilities to maintain public trail systems and to warn of possible hazards with the responsibilities of individuals to keep themselves safe and adequately prepared. We fully endorse this legislation and urge the Hawaii State Legislature to pass it into law.

Very Truly Yours,

Alex Colby President, Hawaii Paragliding Association windlines@hawaii.rr.com www.windlines.net

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Heather Huitt	IMBA	Support	No

Comments: As a member of the International Mountain Biking Association and local chapter OMTBO and Hawaii resident, I strongly encourage the passage of this bill. Reduction of liability on the part of landowners in our state is long overdue. Accountability and responsibility from those who use trails for any purpose must be taken fully and not dumped on the landowner because of irresponsible attitude or usage. As an avid mountain biker and hiker and life-time Hawaii resident; I hope this bill is allowed to move forward. Our open spaces are such a precious resource and my hope is that this bill will allow increased usage of under-utilized and all other open space by all trail users. Respectfully submitted; Heather Huitt

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I, the undersigned, a resident of Hawaii very strongly support the passage of SB 1007 (HD1) and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent.

I support this measure because we cherish our right to freely enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains including hiking, biking, trail running, climbing, paragliding and other activities. I am baffled by the State's current absence of liability protection, which has led to ongoing closures of climbing areas, hiking trails, and other scenic sites due to the State's legitimate fear of lawsuits. I strongly believe that public lands need to remain open to the public. It is patently absurd that the State should decide when, where, and how people are able to experience Hawaii's natural wonders - especially when such decisions are made largely based on liability risk assessments. It is time to take a significant step toward tort reform and shift our landowner liability paradigm toward something sensible, sustainable, and sane.

In comparison to other Western States, Hawaii's recreational liability statutes are sorely lacking. I do not want to see access to mountain sports across the Hawaiian Islands denied or restricted because a minority group of 4,000 trial attorneys holds the rest of hostage. I strongly disagree with previous testimony against liability reform in Hawaii that suggests that the status quo is in the best interest of the public, or that status quo will keep us safer by holding the State liable for accidents (such as the Brem case in 2012). I believe that individuals who choose to go hiking, climbing, mountain biking, paragliding, or who choose to engage in any other recreational use of public lands, should do so at their own risk.

Without the passage of this bill, the State of Hawaii is left with very little protection from litigation resulting from injuries that occur on State lands. I believe the lack of liability protection is wholly untenable, especially given the ever-growing popularity of mountain recreation to residents in Hawaii and visitors comprising our tourist economy.

This bill is an agreeable compromise. It notably does not provide the State with absolute immunity, but does require that those engaging in hazardous recreational activities accept the risks associated with their actions. This bill will effectively balance State responsibilities (to maintain public trail systems and to warn of possible hazards) with the responsibilities of individuals to keep themselves safe and adequately prepared. Thus, I fully endorse this essential legislation and urge the Hawaii State Legislature to pass it into law.

Aloha, Raymond Brust

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Submitted By	Organization		Present at Hearing	
Richard	Individual	Support	Yes	]

Comments: Please pass this important bill. I am a avid hiker, mountain biker and have used the trails around Oahu all my life. I live in Waimanalo and have helped maitain the trail system near my house. PLEASE PASS THIS BILL.

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Gregory Schuster	Individual	Support	Yes

Comments: I undersigned residents of Hawaii and/or possible visitors to Hawaii very strongly support the passage of SB 1007 (HD1) and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent. We support this measure because we cherish our right to freely enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains including hiking, biking, trail running, climbing, paragliding and other activities. We are baffled by the State's current absence of liability protection, which has led to ongoing closures of climbing areas, hiking trails, and other scenic sites due to the State's legitimate fear of lawsuits. We strongly believe that public lands need to remain open to the public. It is patently absurd that the State should decide when, where, and how people are able to experience Hawaii's natural wonders - especially when such decisions are made largely based on liability risk assessments. It is time to take a significant step toward tort reform and shift our landowner liability paradigm toward something sensible, sustainable, and sane. In comparison to other Western States, Hawaii's recreational liability statutes are sorely lacking. We do not want to see access to mountain sports across the Hawaiian Islands denied or restricted because the lobby for a small group of trial attorneys holds the rest of us hostage. We strongly disagree with previous testimony against liability reform in Hawaii that suggests that the status quo is in the best interest of the public, or that the status quo will keep us safer by holding the State liable for accidents (such as the Brem case in 2012). We are a responsible group of citizens who recognize the assumed risks in engaging in recreational activities on State lands. We believe that individuals who choose to go hiking, climbing, mountain biking, paragliding, or who choose to engage in any other recreational use of public lands, should do so at their own risk. Without the passage of this bill, the State of Hawaii is left with very little protection from litigation resulting from injuries that occur on State lands. We believe the lack of liability protection is wholly untenable, especially given the ever-growing popularity of mountain recreation to residents in Hawaii and visitors comprising our tourist economy. This bill is an agreeable compromise. It notably does not provide the State with absolute immunity, but does require that those engaging in hazardous recreational activities accept the risks associated with their actions. This bill will effectively balance State responsibilities (to maintain public trail systems and to warn of possible hazards) with the responsibilities of individuals to keep themselves safe and adequately prepared. Thus, we fully endorse this essential legislation and urge the Hawaii State Legislature to pass it into law. Sincerely, Greg Schuster

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Dawn B. Bruns, Rock Climber 58-044 Kapuai Place Haleiwa, HI 96712

Representative Karl Rhoads, Chair, House Committee on Judiciary CC: Representative Sharon E. Har, Vice Chair, House Committee on Judiciary And Members of the House Committee on Judiciary

#### Dear Representatives:

I am writing to ask you to pass SB1007\_HD1\_PROPOSED, to limit State liability related to rock climbing and other recreational activities on public lands. Two years ago, Governor Abercrombie's administration closed the world-class Mokuleia rock climbing area near my home on the North Shore of Oahu in addition to other climbing areas on unimproved State lands on Oahu due to liability concerns and it is my understanding that climbing would be permitted again if this bill is passed into law. Closed areas account for more than 80% of Hawaii's rock climbing sites. Before its closure, I used to spend almost every Sunday afternoon up at the Mokuleia rock climbing area with my climbing friends and friends who used to visit me from the mainland to climb here.

During the 2013 legislative session, several bills which would have enabled the State to reopen the Mokuleia climbing area were passed by all assigned Senate committees and all other assigned committees in the House, but because your Committee on the Judiciary did not approve or take action on them, climbing did not reopen in 2013. The only public opposition to this legislation came from the lobbyist for a group of 143 personal injury lawyers. I am hopeful that over the past year, your office and the Hawaii Department of the Attorney General have been adequately engaged so that this bill is written to your satisfaction. It is very important to me that I not go another year without climbing at Mokuleia.

I am writing to ask you to **pass SB1007\_HD1\_PROPOSED** in favor of the 500 local climbers and the 1000+ worldwide climbers who fly here to climb, whose lives are adversely affected by the Governor's closure of the Mokuleia climbing area. Please vote for the good of the State, the taxpayers, and the public citizens who recognize the assumed risks in engaging in outdoor recreational activities.

Mahalo,

Dawn Bruns

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Sam Bingner	Individual	Support	Yes

Comments: I, the undersigned resident of Hawaii very strongly support the passage of SB 1007 (HD1) and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent. I support this measure because I cherish our right to freely enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains including hiking, biking, trail running, climbing, paragliding and other activities. I am concerned about the State's current absence of liability protection, which has led to ongoing closures of climbing areas, hiking trails, and other scenic sites due to the State's legitimate fear of lawsuits. I strongly believe that public lands need to remain open to the public. In comparison to other western states, Hawaii's recreational liability statutes are sorely lacking. I do not want to see access to mountain sports across the Hawaiian Islands denied or restricted due to a group of 4,000 trial attorneys. I strongly disagree with previous testimony against liability reform in Hawaii that suggests that the status quo is in the best interest of the public, or that status quo will keep us safer by holding the State liable for accidents (such as the Brem case in 2012). I am a responsible citizen who recognizes the assumed risks in engaging in recreational activities on State lands. I believe that individuals who choose to go hiking, climbing, mountain biking, paragliding, or who choose to engage in any other recreational use of public lands, should do so at their own risk. Without the passage of this bill, the State of Hawaii is left with very little protection from litigation resulting from injuries that occur on State lands. I believe the lack of liability protection is untenable, especially given the ever-growing popularity of mountain recreation to residents in Hawaii and visitors, comprising our tourist economy. This bill is an agreeable compromise. It notably does not provide the State with absolute immunity, but does require that those engaging in hazardous recreational activities accept the risks associated with their actions. This bill will effectively balance State responsibilities (to maintain public trail systems and to warn of possible hazards) with individual responsibilities. Thus, I fully endorse this essential legislation provided in SB 1007 (HD1) and urge the Hawaii State Legislature to pass it into law.

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Randy	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Will try to attend but may not be able to.

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I have been a resident of Oahu for 17 years and strongly support SB1007's passage and any additional measures required to make it permanent.

I'm an avid hiker, mountain biker, and rock-climber, who enjoys these activities in Hawaii's beautiful mountains as much as possible. I do not understand why the state of Hawaii doesn't have liability protection from the accidents arising from these activities and was very dismayed at the lack of attention given to it last session. The current law has led to the complete closing of my climbing areas and a slow but steady pace closing various trails due to the State's legitimate fear of lawsuits. Keeping public lands open to the public seems like common sense to me. It is a ridiculous notion that the State should decide when, where, and how people are able to experience Hawaii's natural beauty - especially when such decisions are made based almost solely on liability risk assessments and the opposition to updating the liability laws are the same individuals making money off frivolous lawsuits only possible by the lack of it. It is time to take a significant step toward tort reform and shift our landowner liability paradigm toward something sensible, sustainable, and sane.

I've had to go to the US west coast to go rock climbing several times in the past year. Those states appear to have the necessary liability protection to allow their residents to enjoy nature. Why are Hawaii's recreational liability statutes so sorely lacking? Access to mountain sports should not be denied or restricted merely for the benefit of a small group of trial attorneys who are holding the rest of us hostage while making money from it. I strongly disagree with previous testimony against liability reform in Hawaii that suggests that the status quo is in the best interest of the public, or that the status quo will keep us safer by holding the State liable for accidents (such as the Brem case in 2012). Outside enthusiasts are a responsible group of citizens who recognize the assumed risks in engaging in recreational activities on State lands. We believe that individuals who choose to go hiking, climbing, mountain biking, or who choose to engage in any other recreational use of public lands, should do so at their own risk. To me, this is no different than all the water sports enjoyed all over the islands. We don't tell surfers that a specific break is too dangerous for them to legally surf.

Without the passage of this bill, the State of Hawaii is left with very little protection from litigation resulting from injuries that occur on State lands. We believe the lack of liability protection is wholly untenable, especially given the ever-growing popularity of mountain recreation to residents in Hawaii and visitors comprising our tourist economy.

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Randy Glidden

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Chris Bruns	Individual	Support	Yes

Comments: When I go windsurfing at Mokuleia Beach Park, it would be nice if my wife could go climbing with her friends at the Mokuleia Crag. DLNR closed the Mokuleia climbing area over a year and a half ago and it's adversely affected our weekend plans. Let her climb!

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Ben Pope	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: As a future visitor to Hawaii very strongly support the passage of SB 1007 (HD1) and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent. I support this measure because I cherish our right to freely enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains especially hiking and climbing, and also, biking, trail running, paragliding and other activities. I am concerned about the State's current absence of liability protection, which has led to ongoing closures of climbing areas, hiking trails, and other scenic sites due to the State's legitimate fear of lawsuits. I strongly believe that public lands need to remain open to the public. In comparison to other western states, Hawaii's recreational liability statutes are sorely lacking. I do not want to see access to mountain sports across the Hawaiian Islands denied or restricted due to a group of 4,000 trial attorneys. I strongly disagree with previous testimony against liability reform in Hawaii that suggests that the status quo is in the best interest of the public, or that status quo will keep us safer by holding the State liable for accidents (such as the Brem case in 2012). I am a responsible citizen who recognizes the assumed risks in engaging in recreational activities on State lands. I believe that individuals who choose to go hiking, climbing, mountain biking, paragliding, or who choose to engage in any other recreational use of public lands, should do so at their own risk. Without the passage of this bill, the State of Hawaii is left with very little protection from litigation resulting from injuries that occur on State lands. I believe the lack of liability protection is untenable, especially given the ever-growing popularity of mountain recreation to residents in Hawaii and visitors, comprising our tourist economy. This bill is an agreeable compromise. It notably does not provide the State with absolute immunity, but does require that those engaging in hazardous recreational activities accept the risks associated with their actions. This bill will effectively balance State responsibilities (to maintain public trail systems and to warn of possible hazards) with individual responsibilities. Thus, I fully endorse this essential legislation provided in SB 1007 (HD1) and urge the Hawaii State Legislature to pass it into law.

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Raimar Bylaardt II	Individual	Support	No

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Stephen Orr	Individual	Support	No

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Owen Summerscales	Individual	Comments Only	No

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kendall raina whiting	Individual	Support	No	

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Geoff Milford	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: The public needs to own responsibility for their actions and to stop blaming government for not protecting them from harm that they cause themselves. Lands should be open and signed for use, dangers, etc.

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#### Hawaii State Legislature

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Sincerely,

Rita Ryan

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Waimanalo, HI 96795

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Rick Dell	Individual	Support	No

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Joel Sabugo	Individual	Support	No

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Aisha Heredia 2737 Pacific Heights Rd Honolulu HI, 96813

January 28, 2014

To whomever it may concern,

I support SB1007 because this measure represents our right to freely enjoy Hawaii's mountains including hiking, biking, trail running, climbing, paragliding and other activities. I am shocked by the State's current lack of liability protection, which has led to ongoing closures of climbing, hiking trails, and other scenic sites due to the State's fear of lawsuits. I strongly believe that public lands need to remain open to the public. It is absurd that the State should decide when, where, and how people am able to experience Hawaii's natural wonders - especially when such decisions am made largely based on liability risk assessments. It is time to take a significant step toward tort reform and shift our landowner liability paradigm toward something sensible, sustainable, and sane.

I am a responsible citizen, with a regular office job as a Research Coordinator for a Johns Hopkins University Hawaii Research Institute. On my weekends I am a surfer, hiker, and I used to be a rock climber. Going into the outdoors is my release and helps me balance a fast pace, professional life. Closing down rock climbing areas and other hiking areas took a negative toll on my active lifestyle and I am actually considering moving out of state so that I can enjoy rock climbing again! For me, rock climbing is a lifestyle, with a community, and skill sets that brings people together with the mana of the great outdoors. I acknowledge that when I participate in my activities that there is a certain level of danger and risk involved, but it is ultimately up to me to decide if I should engage in an activity. We climbers, hikers, and mountaineers are a group of citizens who recognize the assumed risks in engaging in recreational activities on State lands. I believe that individuals who choose to go hiking, climbing, mountain biking, paragliding, or who choose to engage in any other recreational use of public lands, should do so at their own risk.

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ioh Haredin Aisha Heredia

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Ludwig S. Rohrmayr	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: I am in favor of passing this bill that would stop people from suiting the owner of any land in the State of Hawai'i when someone is injured or dies while hiking or rock climbing on said land. People die doing this every year across this great country of outs in State and National Parks and said parks are not closed. Why is Hawai'i different? Let the hiker/climber beware and take responsibility for his/her own actions. Mahalo nui loa.

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**Alexander Ching** 

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Robert W. Singleton

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russell ryan rudel	Individual	Support	No

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ricci keltz	Individual	Support	Yes

Comments: As a private citizen and recreational hiker who believes that all persons should have the legal right to access public lands for the pure enjoyment of it, I believe that one should take responsibility of one's own liability. There are risks that one takes to hike, if one chooses to hike, one takes responsibility of one's own actions. I also believe that we should do so with respect. Respect our aina, respect the land owners, respect ourselves.

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Albert Carcueva

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Allison Baird	Individual	Support	No

Comments: As an avid hiker, I treasure all opportunities to explore Hawaii's fantastic topography. Yet I am baffled by the lack of liability protection the state is legally afforded in Hawaii compared to other western states. While the state-enacted closures of public lands are understandable in the current legal climate due to fears of liability suits, I firmly believe that public lands should be open to the public! I believe that people who engage in recreational outdoor activities (including but not limited to hiking) are aware of the assumed risks and continue to participate with the knowledge that their actions carry a small risk of injury or death. I believe that a small group of lawyers are taking advantage of the current lack of liability protection for the state, and arguing that the status quo is the best for all parties when in reality it is only the best for their bottom line. This sensible tort reform is an acceptable and reasonable compromise for all parties — the state, the public, and the law community. I urge you to pass SB 1007 (HD1). Sincerely, Allison Baird

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Lovena Harwood	Individual	Support	No

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Daniel Sherlock	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I'm an active hiker who loves exploring all the trails I can find on Oahu. Lately I've heard that a few trails have been closed and many more are on the verge of being closed due to the states worry about liability from people injured on the trails. When I go hiking, I go at my own risk. I know hiking on Oahu can be dangerous as there are many news stories about hikers being injured or even killed while hiking. why should the state be held responsible? They hike at their own risk. No one is forcing them to go and the blame is 100% on themselves. We (outdoor enthusiast) need this bill to pass to protect the state and to preserve the trails for our use. When ever I meet friends from out of state, I love to take them to visit a waterfall, scenic spots with breathtaking views and just let them enjoy Hawaii's beauty. They take lots of pictures to show their friends/family in the mainland encouraging them to visit Hawaii and do the same trails.

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Sincerely, Arnold Yago

Submitted on: 1/28/2014

Testimony for JUD on Jan 30, 2014 14:00PM in Conference Room 325

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Jesse Sapp	Individual	Support	No

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To: Chair Rhoads, Vice Chair Har, and members of the House Judiciary Committee

Re: Senate Bill 1007 HD1 PROPOSED by JUD on Thursday, January 30th in room 325 at 2:00 PM

From: Michael Bishop

#### **Testimony in SUPPORT of SB 1007 HD1**

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#### **Bill Thomas**

**Subject:** Passage of SB 1007 (HD1)

To whom it may concern:

I, the undersigned very strongly support the passage of SB 1007 (HD1) and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent. I typically visit Hawaii twice a year on holiday and while most visitors stick to the beaches, I prefer the lush mountains. I have climbed Mauna Kea and Mauna Loa and I have hiked trails to numerous to mention on Maui and the big island of Hawaii.

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Sincerely, William Thomas

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	cd feld	Individual	Support	Yes

Comments: keeping the trails open and available for our use and enjoyment is one of the benefits of living in our most beautiful hawaii. Please make common sense the rule and pass this bill unanimously. Thank you.

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Scott Bowling	Individual	Support	No	]

Comments: I am an avid hiker and I don't want to lose access to trails.

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Duncan Stuart Sleath

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Tim Anderson	Individual	Comments Only	No

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Fawn Liebengood	Individual	Support	No	]

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Giovanni Acosta	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Protect the State without punishing the People.

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Adam Bennett	Individual	Support	No

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Courtney De Paulo	Individual	Support	No

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Joseph Cayer	Individual	Comments Only	No

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Michael Solis

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Susie Wood	Individual	Support	No

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Submitted on: 1/28/2014

Testimony for JUD on Jan 30, 2014 14:00PM in Conference Room 325

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Dr. Paul Ryan	Individual	Support	No

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Haydn Huntley	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Please allow this bill to come up for a vote ASAP. I love hiking, climbing and exploring Hawaii, and this would give us better access to our state's amazingly beautiful nooks and crannies. :-)

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William	Individual	Comments Only	No

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Keith Okuna	Individual	Comments Only	No

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Paul Rolewicz	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I previously filled in this submission but I am not sure if it went through so I am resubmitting. I apologize if this is a duplicate. Basically, I was notified of this through an Access Fund email because I am a member of that organization as a climber. I am unlikely to be climbing in Hawaii but I will be honeymooning there later this year and I hope that this bill will pass so it does not negatively impact trail access because the majority of our honeymoon is expected to be hiking and exploring...some or much of which is likely going to be on "unimproved public lands" trails. Thank you for your time to read my letter and I hope this will have some influence in a decision to pass this bill. Thanks again!

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Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Present at Hearing
Gloria Garcia	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: I OPPOSE THIS BILL, it should not pass. Building more barrier from keeping hikers out will be shameful plus facing more trail closures is not the Aloha spirit. With great respect to the Aina, this will be wrong to keep our children from exploring and viewing the beauty of the island, Oahu.

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Dear Hawaii State Lawmakers,

I'm writing in support of #SB1007.

I believe that an individual is responsible for his or her actions. As this applies to outdoor activities in Hawaii, it is up to the individual to know their limits and behave rationally while engaging in recreational activities such as hiking or rock climbing.

I, as a Hawaii taxpayer, believe that the state, county or city should not be held responsible for accidental injuries or deaths that occur on voluntary trails on public lands.

I have read news stories about outrageous lawsuits against the state for injuries or deaths that have occurred while hiking. In my opinion the state is not responsible for injuries people inflict upon themselves or accidental deaths that occur during outdoor recreational activities. That this is possible to sue the state for this is problematic. First of all, it teaches people that they do not need to accept responsibility for their actions while in Hawaii. And secondly, these massive lawsuits drain our budgets.

I've grown tired of reading news stories about our state being sued for millions of dollars for an accident that was the fault of the individual. And then subsequently reading news stories about budget cuts or furloughs for public workers. Why should so many people have to pay for the irresponsible actions of one person?

I'm hopeful that we can continue to release amendments that prevent egregious lawsuits against our state.

Thus, I fully endorse #SB1007 and urge the Hawaii State Legislature to pass it into law.

Sincerely,

David Chatsuthiphan January 28, 2014

To: House Judiciary Committee Re: Senate Bill 1007 Hearing

Thursday, January 30, 2014, 2:00 p.m., Room #325

From: Laura N. Matsumoto

Citizen of the State of Hawaii, resident of Oahu

### Testimony in SUPPORT of SB 1007

I, Laura N. Matsumoto, very strongly support the passage of SB 1007 (HD1) and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent.

I support this measure because I cherish my right to freely enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains including hiking, biking, trail running, climbing, paragliding and other activities. I am baffled by the State's current absence of liability protection, which has led to ongoing closures of climbing areas, hiking trails, and other scenic sites due to the State's legitimate fear of lawsuits. I strongly believe that public lands need to remain open to the public. It is patently absurd that the State should decide when, where, and how people are able to experience Hawaii's natural wonders - especially when such decisions are made largely based on liability risk assessments. It is time to take a significant step toward tort reform and shift our landowner liability paradigm toward something sensible, sustainable, and sane.

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Regards,

Laura N. Matsumoto

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Sincerely, Emmanuel (Emu) Singh

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Sincerely, Michael Chamberlain I strongly support the passage of SB 1007 (SD2) and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent.

I support this measure because I value the right to freely enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains including hiking, biking, trail running, climbing, paragliding and other activities. I have hiked, climbed, and done mountain biking around the world in various countries and other states. I am amazed by the state of Hawaii's current absence of liability protection, which has led to ongoing closures of climbing areas, hiking trails, and other scenic sites due to the State's legitimate fear of lawsuits. When I meet climbers and hikers abroad they shocked and dismayed by Hawaii's decision to shut down these activities and access public lands. I strongly believe that public lands need to remain open to the public. It is patently absurd that the State should decide when, where, and how people are able to experience Hawaii's natural wonders - especially when such decisions are made largely based on liability risk assessments. It is time to take a significant step toward tort reform and shift our landowner liability paradigm toward something sensible, sustainable, and sane.

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Sincerely,

Kristin Kline Qureshi

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Sincerely,

Ms. Kelly A. Quin

Submitted on: 1/28/2014

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Kevin Nesnow	Individual	Support	Yes	

Comments: I Support SB1007!

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Paula Cruz	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: It seems a fairly easy fix, at least for the tourist population of concern to emulate the claim form on flights for declaring any agricultural products. If all who visit here had to sign a waiver, that the natural areas on public and private lands and waters, including the ocean, mountains, forest, and any open space or parklands are inherently dangerous due to natural phenomena, regardless of human modifications such as, but not limited to ropes, or steps to aid in access, and any activities voluntarily engaged in on these lands are at your own risk. The State of HI shall not be held liable.

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Glen Griscom	Individual	Support	No	

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Testimony in support of SB1007 HD1

Name: Debora Halbert

Position/Title and Organization: Associate Professor of Political Science, University of Hawaii, testifying as an individual and as an avid rock climber and hiker.

Committee: Judiciary Committee

Hearing Date: 1/30/14

Time: 2:00 PM

Measure Number SB1007 HD1

I am writing as an avid rock climber and hiker who grew up enjoying access to the mountains and began climbing as a college student many years ago. When I moved to Hawaii, I immediately sought out the climbing and hiking here. It is the foundation of my social network and the mountains call to me much like the ocean calls to surfers. Climbing is essential to my personal well-being and to my connection to the land. That such loss is predicated upon the fear of lawsuits makes it even more frustrating since climbers as a whole assume the risks they take when engaging in their sport.

That being said, I strongly advocate for the passage of SB1007 not only because its approval will mean I might be able to climb legally in Hawaii again, but also because it makes sound public policy. I know of no hiker or climber that agrees with the outcome of the Brem decision and without this bill the state reverts back to a pre-Act 82 world where they receive no liability protection for what occurs on state lands. This bill balances the relevant interests at stake, does not provide the state absolute immunity, but does cover both improved and unimproved lands, natural and non-natural hazards.

Attached to my testimony is a petition signed by over 1200 hikers, climbers, mountain bikers, tourists, and advocates for a better and more balanced liability law in Hawaii. These are people who love the land, enjoy the mountains, and want to ensure that the State protects their access. We were able to generation this signature count in two days, which gives you some indication of how important this measure is to outdoor advocates and their supporters. We hope very much that you will listen to the testimony of those who love to be in the mountains and those who support their cause.

Name	City	State	Zip Code	Country	Signed On
Debora Halbert	Honolulu	Hawaii	96822	United States	1/28/14
Vicki Nakata	Honolulu	Hawaii	96814	United States	1/28/14
Michael Richardson	Honolulu	Hawaii	96816	United States	1/28/14
Keith Okuna	honolulu	Hawaii	96822	United States	1/28/14
Curtis Kawamoto	Honolulu	Hawaii	96815	<b>United States</b>	1/28/14
Colleen Fox	Honolulu	Hawaii	97822	<b>United States</b>	1/28/14
Nathan Yuen	Ewa Beach	Hawaii	96706	<b>United States</b>	1/28/14
Crystal Evans	Kaneohe	Hawaii	96744	<b>United States</b>	1/28/14
Elisa Coffman	South English	Iowa	52335	<b>United States</b>	1/28/14
Rico Rivera	Honolulu	Hawaii	96816	<b>United States</b>	1/28/14
Crystal Evans	Honolulu	Hawaii	96815	<b>United States</b>	1/28/14
Dave Fahrenwald	Kailua	Hawaii	96734	<b>United States</b>	1/28/14
Michael Mastronardi	Mililani	Hawaii	96789	<b>United States</b>	1/28/14
Toby Keathley	Honolulu	Hawaii	96818	<b>United States</b>	1/28/14
Marcus Griego	Honolulu	Hawaii	96830	<b>United States</b>	1/28/14
Giovanni Acosta	San Francisco	California	94402	<b>United States</b>	1/28/14
Amy Bennett	Honolulu	Hawaii	96815	<b>United States</b>	1/28/14
susieYY wood	kailua	Hawaii	96034	<b>United States</b>	1/28/14
Caitlin Homes	Wahiawā	Hawaii	96786	<b>United States</b>	1/28/14
jill vanek	Honolulu	Hawaii	96818	<b>United States</b>	1/28/14
Barrett Wolfe	Honolulu	Hawaii	96815	<b>United States</b>	1/28/14
Akta Kaushal	Honolulu	Hawaii	96822	<b>United States</b>	1/28/14
Tracy Taira Carnate	Honolulu	Hawaii	96818	<b>United States</b>	1/28/14
Brady Thomas	Honolulu	Hawaii	96825	<b>United States</b>	1/28/14
Clare Hanusz	Honolulu	Hawaii	96822-1847	<b>United States</b>	1/28/14
Miha Banu	Honolulu	Hawaii	96817	<b>United States</b>	1/28/14
John Sweeney	HONOLULU	Hawaii	96816	<b>United States</b>	1/28/14
Nathene Antonio	Kapolei	Hawaii	96708	<b>United States</b>	1/28/14
Tim Anderson	Honolulu	Hawaii	96816	<b>United States</b>	1/28/14
Rita Scott	Waimanalo	Hawaii	96795	<b>United States</b>	1/28/14
Sophie Harris	Honolulu	Hawaii	96819	<b>United States</b>	1/28/14
Nola Kotow	Honolulu, Hi		96815	<b>United States</b>	1/28/14
lola salimova	honolulu	Hawaii	96822	United States	1/28/14
Jairus Grove	Honolulu	Hawaii		United States	1/28/14
Jacqueline Tellei	Honolulu	Hawaii	96822-1414	United States	1/28/14
Kiele Lehel	Honolulu	Hawaii	96821	United States	1/28/14
Michelle Prescott	Mililani	Hawaii	96789	United States	1/28/14
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Hiroki Matsubara			427-0011	Japan	1/28/14
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Sharon Medeiros	Kamuela	Hawaii		United States	1/28/14
Samantha Matsuda	Ewa Beach	Hawaii		United States	1/28/14
Kirsten Fisher	Honolulu	Hawaii		United States	1/28/14
L.S. Rohrmayr	Wai`anae	Hawaii		United States	1/28/14
Casey Bassett	Aiea	Hawaii		United States	1/28/14
Raimar Bylaardt II	kailua	Hawaii		United States	1/28/14
Allicia Parke	Ewa Beach	Hawaii		United States	1/28/14
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Antje Gruenewald	Honolulu	Hawaii		United States	1/28/14
Jayma Mills	Honolulu	Hawaii	96816	United States	1/28/14
Bogdan Andrei	Iași			Romania	1/28/14
Sankaran Krishna	Honolulu	Hawaii	96825	Korea, Republi	1/28/14
Matt Johnson	Honolulu	Hawaii	96819	United States	1/28/14
Noel Mackisoc	Kailua	Hawaii	96734	United States	1/28/14
Daniell Hull	Kaneohe	Hawaii	96744	United States	1/28/14
Annelies Browne	Victoria		V8X 3V6	Canada	1/28/14
Michael Chamberlain	Honolulu	Hawaii	96815	United States	1/28/14
Bryan Huffman	Honolulu	Hawaii	96818	United States	1/28/14
Rex Troumbley	Honolulu	Hawaii	96826	United States	1/28/14
tiff higa	honolulu	Hawaii	96805	United States	1/28/14
Guanpei Ming	Honolulu	Hawaii	96826	United States	1/28/14
Allegra Coleman	Honolulu	Hawaii	96822	United States	1/28/14
Sarah Chamberlain	Honolulu	Hawaii		United States	1/28/14
John Mallard	Hauula	Hawaii	96717	United States	1/28/14
William Sankey	Aiea	Hawaii	96701	United States	1/28/14
Zac Griswold	Kaneohe	Hawaii	96744	United States	1/28/14
Michael Edwards	Honolulu	Hawaii	96815	United States	1/28/14
Haydn Huntley	Makawao	Hawaii	96768-8065	United States	1/28/14
Raymond Brust	Honolulu	Hawaii	96822	United States	1/28/14
Christine Miyasaki	Aiea	Hawaii	96701	United States	1/28/14
Rob Boller	Honolulu	Hawaii	96821	United States	1/28/14
Bryan Thelen	Ewa Beach	Hawaii	96706	United States	1/28/14
Thomas Engle	Honolulu	Hawaii	96825	United States	1/28/14
Elizabeth Weatherford	Honolulu	Hawaii	96813	United States	1/28/14
Colin Moore	Honolulu	Hawaii	96822	United States	1/28/14
Michael Loftin	Honolulu	Hawaii	96816	United States	1/28/14
Randall Castor	Honolulu	Hawaii	96819	United States	1/28/14
Thea Ferentinos	Honolulu	Hawaii	96816	United States	1/28/14
peter plotzeneder	Honolulu	Hawaii	96813	United States	1/28/14
Lorraine Ward	Honolulu	Hawaii	96816	United States	1/28/14
Charmaine Chua	Minneapolis	Minnesota	55406	United States	1/28/14
Nicole Grove	Honolulu	Hawaii	96822	United States	1/28/14
Jennifer Cunningham	Gilbert	Arizona	85233	United States	1/28/14
Ryan Finnerty	Waialua	Hawaii	96791	United States	1/28/14
Tatiana Maumausolo	Waimanalo	Hawaii	96795	United States	1/28/14
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Heather Garcia	Honolulu	Hawaii	96822	United States	1/28/14
Robert Majzler	Santa Cruz	California	95060	United States	1/28/14
Evan Tector	Honolulu	Hawaii	96813	United States	1/28/14
Carsen Clark	wahiawa	Hawaii	96857	United States	1/28/14
Amanda Crews	Wahiawa	Hawaii	96786	United States	1/28/14
Fred Fontes	Hacienda Heig	California		United States	1/28/14
kelli Bullock	Honolulu	Hawaii		United States	1/28/14
TED CALVERO	Ewa Beach	Hawaii		United States	1/28/14
Ashley Van Horn	Waialua	Hawaii		United States	1/28/14
Evelyn Whitney	Muskegon	Michigan		United States	1/28/14
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brad wilke wilke	Waialua	Hawaii	96791	United States	1/28/14
Annie Carson	Mililani	Hawaii	96789	United States	1/28/14
Angelica Johnson	Wahiawa	Hawaii		United States	1/28/14
Keith Killgren	Wahiawa	Hawaii	96786	United States	1/28/14
Ethan Pearson-Pomerant	Honolulu	Hawaii	96815	United States	1/28/14
Brent Wong	Pearl City	Hawaii	96782	United States	1/28/14
Kristina Botelho	Honolulu	Hawaii	96825	United States	1/28/14
Robert Singleton	Mililani	Hawaii	96789	United States	1/28/14
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Dana Uhrenholdt	Honolulu	Hawaii	96817	United States	1/28/14
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Gene Bennett	Honolulu	Hawaii	96815	United States	1/28/14
Todd Marohnic	Volcano	Hawaii	96785	United States	1/28/14
Robert McCord	Kapaa,	Hawaii	96746	United States	1/28/14
Michael Chichi	Kahuku	Hawaii		United States	1/28/14
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Josh Cohn	El Cerrito	California	94530	United States	1/28/14
Catherine Prentice	Pearl City	Hawaii	96782	United States	1/28/14
William Simons	Honolulu	Hawaii	96822	United States	1/28/14
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Eva Bosch	Honolulu	Hawaii	96815	United States	1/28/14
Linda Tsai	Honolulu	Hawaii	96821	United States	1/28/14
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Greg Schuster	Honolulu	Hawaii		United States	1/28/14
Lauren Yumol	Waipahu	Hawaii		United States	1/28/14
Katharina Heyer	Honolulu	Hawaii		United States	1/28/14
Ferdinand Buquing	Honolulu	Hawaii		United States	1/28/14
Erik Fenske	Honolulu	Hawaii		United States	1/28/14
Mitchell Picardal	Waipahu	Hawaii		United States	1/28/14
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Derek Koi	Waialua	Hawaii	96791 United States	1/28/14
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Alexis Jamison	Honolulu	Hawaii	96789 United States	1/28/14
Claude Phillips	Kailua	Hawaii	96734 United States	1/28/14
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Jasmin Nepomuceno	Honolulu	Hawaii	96817 United States	1/28/14
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Sharain Naylor	Honolulu	Hawaii	96816 United States	1/28/14
Alison Scialabba	Kaneohe	Hawaii	96744 United States	1/28/14
Hiram Palimo'o III	Honolulu	Hawaii	96819 United States	1/28/14
daniel sherlock	honolulu	Hawaii	96814 United States	1/28/14
Brian Scialabba	Kaneohe	Hawaii	96744 United States	1/28/14
Sayar Zalobki	Honolulu	Hawaii	96810 United States	1/28/14
BobbiJo Charloux	Ewa Beach	Hawaii	96706 United States	1/28/14
Wes Raine	Honolulu	Hawaii	96815 United States	1/28/14
Paul Cavallaro	Honolulu	Hawaii	96818 United States	1/28/14
Jennfranco Campbell	Oregon City	Oregon	97045 United States	1/28/14
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Brandon Yoon	Honolulu	Hawaii	96813 United States	1/28/14
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Russell Meza		Hawaii	96801 United States	1/28/14
Athena Wahlstrom	Honolulu	Hawaii	96815 United States	1/28/14
Angelita Cagat	Ewa Beach	Hawaii	96706 United States	1/28/14
Rokki Sanders	Mineral Wells	Texas	76067 United States	1/28/14
Jamie Sheppard	Ewa Beach	Hawaii	96706 United States	1/28/14
John Stockton	Honolulu	Hawaii	96816 United States	1/28/14
Eva Ramos	Honolulu	Hawaii	96821 United States	1/28/14
Jessica Orfe	honolulu	Hawaii	96822 United States	1/28/14

Stefanie Weaver	Pearl City	Hawaii	96782	United States	1/28/14
Larry Day	Honolulu	Hawaii	96825	United States	1/28/14
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Sara Van Gent	Honolulu	Hawaii	96821	United States	1/28/14
Brenda Prevost	Kaneohe	Hawaii	96744	United States	1/28/14
David Mougin	Aiea	Hawaii	96701	United States	1/28/14
Angela Saucedo Warren	Honolulu	Hawaii	96826	United States	1/28/14
Sheryl Castillo	Honolulu	Hawaii	96817	United States	1/28/14
Jessica Raduege	Oak Harbor	Washington	98277	United States	1/28/14
Elaine Pettit	Ewa Beach	Hawaii	96706	United States	1/28/14
Paul Mossman	Kailua	Hawaii	96734	United States	1/28/14
Nicholas Russell			6590025	Japan	1/28/14
Anton Kaleo	kapolei	Hawaii	96707	United States	1/28/14
TROY FLICKINGER	WAIPAHU	Hawaii	96797	United States	1/28/14
Beau Elliott	Honolulu	Hawaii	96826	United States	1/28/14
Nick Greenwell	Boulder	Colorado	80302	United States	1/28/14
Ray Adames	Ewa Beach	Hawaii	96706	United States	1/28/14
Lynelle Gillia	Aiea	Hawaii	96701	United States	1/28/14
roland christopher Arson	Hau'ula	Hawaii	96717	United States	1/28/14
Amanda Lindley	Aiea	Hawaii	96701	United States	1/28/14
Phuong Ma	honolulu	Hawaii	96817	United States	1/28/14
Joey Kempson	Kailua	Hawaii	96734	United States	1/28/14
Joseph Wargo	Kaneohe	Hawaii	96744	United States	1/28/14
colleen mccown	Honolulu	Hawaii	96825	United States	1/28/14
Kenneth Ogata	Honolulu	Hawaii	96819	United States	1/28/14
Zac Chamberlain	Scottsdale	Arizona	85271	United States	1/28/14
Andrea Wu	Honolulu	Hawaii	96818	United States	1/28/14
KEALA FUNG	Honolulu	Hawaii	96822	United States	1/28/14
Jennie Zhu	Waianae	Hawaii	96792	United States	1/28/14
Connie Umhoefer	Kaneohe	Hawaii	96744	United States	1/28/14
Aubrey Lacaillade	Ewa Beach	Hawaii	96706	United States	1/28/14
Wendy Gibson	Honolulu	Hawaii	96816	United States	1/28/14
Glenn Gamponia	honolulu	Hawaii	96822	United States	1/28/14
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Chelsea Jeremiah	Kapolei	Hawaii	96707	United States	1/28/14
Courtney Preiss	Kapolei	Hawaii	96707	United States	1/28/14
LAREDO MUREDO	Kaneohe	Hawaii	96744	United States	1/28/14
Lehua Kealoha	Honolulu	Hawaii	96813	United States	1/28/14
Tony Ramos	Honolulu	Hawaii	96825	United States	1/28/14
Hank Roland	Grand Forks	North Dakota	58201	United States	1/28/14
Breanna King	Ewa beach	Hawaii	96706	United States	1/28/14
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Benjamin Lim	Honolulu	Hawaii	96744	United States	1/28/14
Michael Orozco	Honolulu	Hawaii	96817	United States	1/28/14
Sean Amore	Honolulu	Hawaii	96819	United States	1/28/14

Beth Bailey	Kapolei	Hawaii		96707	United	States	1/28/14
Jayson Cantu	Honolulu	Hawaii		96819	United	States	1/28/14
Blaise Schoenberg	Honolulu	Hawaii		96819	United	States	1/28/14
Tania Mejia	Honolulu	Hawaii		96813	United	States	1/28/14
Jamie DeFay Collins	Haleiwa	Hawaii		96712	United	States	1/28/14
Robert Riddell	Waialua	Hawaii		96791	United	States	1/28/14
Elijah Rodriguez	Honolulu	Hawaii		96818	United	States	1/28/14
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Terri Ann Noelani Vierra	Mililani	Hawaii		96789	United	States	1/28/14
Vera Morgan	Fayetteville	North Carolina	28314-	1039	United	States	1/28/14
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Danica Sills	Aiea	Hawaii		96701	United	States	1/28/14
Dale Maddocks	Raleigh	North Carolina	ľ.	27610	United	States	1/28/14
brian clark	Phoenix	Arizona		85024	United	States	1/28/14
Ai Matsuda			111-00	51	Japan		1/28/14
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Nathaniel Whittaker	Ewa Beach	Hawaii			United		1/28/14
Agnes Mele	Hojolulu	Hawaii		96815	United	States	1/28/14
Vincent Fung	Ormond Beach	Florida		32176	United	States	1/28/14
Rupa Bose	san francisco	California			United		1/28/14
Julia Fain	Lexington	Kentucky		40502	United	States	1/28/14
Emily Whitehouse	Honolulu	Hawaii			United		1/28/14
Gram Parker	St Paul	Minnesota			United		1/28/14
Jennifer Genova	Amesbury	Massachusetts			United		1/28/14
Lovena Harwood	Bradford	Massachusetts			United		1/28/14
Sarah Skelton					Austral		1/28/14
Jason Phelps	Portland	Maine			United		1/28/14
Jessica Tan	Aiea	Hawaii			United		1/28/14
Lynette Scott	San Diego	California			United		1/28/14
Donna Swet	Live Oak	Florida			United		1/28/14
stephen gillan	Fort Collins	Colorado		80524	United	States	1/28/14
THOMAS MCCOWN	COLUMBIA	Missouri			United		1/28/14
Luc White	Auburn	Maine			United		1/28/14
George Cummins	Franklin	Virginia			United		1/28/14
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Ingrid Hall	Mililani	Hawaii		96789	United		1/28/14
Remi Thiebault					France		1/28/14
Jeanna Voellmer	Sahuarita	Arizona			United	States	1/28/14
Margaret Wyatt	Kingwood	Texas			United		1/28/14
Rob Hunter	New Albany	Ohio			United		1/28/14
Meg Littlejohn	Green acres	Washington			United		1/28/14
Kalani Nishimura	Hillsboro	Oregon	97123-		United		1/28/14
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Dural Duenas	Kaneohe	Hawaii		United States	1/28/14
Brian Cork	Mokuleia	Hawaii		United States	1/28/14
Maya Bendi	Portland	Oregon		United States	1/28/14
Galen MacDougall	Santa Barbara			United States	1/28/14
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melody lancaster	las vegas			United States	1/28/14
Dave Balatico	Ewa Beach	Hawaii			1/28/14
Rachel Elias	Kailua	Hawaii		United States	1/28/14
Aaron Wong	Honolulu	Hawaii		United States	1/28/14
David Izumi	Kailua	Hawaii		United States	1/28/14
Dan Allard	West Chester			United States	1/28/14
Denny Carlos	Waialua	Hawaii		United States	1/28/14
Samantha heath	Honolulu	Hawaii		United States	1/28/14
Jessica Champigny	Honolulu	Hawaii		United States	1/28/14
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Robert Lahoe	Pearl City	Hawaii	96782	United States	1/28/14
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Lisa Horkin	Columbus	Ohio	43202	United States	1/28/14
Neil Higa	Austin	Texas	78731	United States	1/28/14
Brand Phillips	Honolulu	Hawaii	96826	United States	1/28/14
Christine Koroki	Mililani	Hawaii	96789	United States	1/28/14
Richard Williams	New York	New York	12440	United States	1/28/14
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Ryan Ballmer	Honolulu	Hawaii		United States	1/29/14
Harrison Deisroth	wahiawa	Hawaii		United States	1/29/14
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Martha Maciasz	Kailua	Hawaii		United States	1/29/14
Tiffany Krug	Honolulu	Hawaii		United States	1/29/14
Garrett Gardner	vail	Colorado		United States	1/29/14
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Robert Richter	Colorado City	Arizona	86021	United State	es :	1/29/14
Matthew Chun	Aiea	Hawaii	96701	United State		1/29/14
Megan McKay	Sacramento	California	95819	United State		1/29/14
Reid Inouye	Kaneohe	Hawaii	96744	United State		1/29/14
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Brenda Lovette-Cole	Waimanalo	Hawaii		United State		1/29/14
Del Brown	Honolulu	Hawaii		United State		1/29/14
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Winston Chow	Honolulu	Hawaii		United State		1/29/14
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Stephen Nesnow	Chapel Hill	North Carolina		United State		1/29/14
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Ryan Sears	Germantown	Maryland		United State		1/29/14
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Michael Solis	Laie	Hawaii	96762 United States	1/29/14
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Jodi Hoffman	Olympia	Washington	98	3513	United	States	1/29/14
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Gregor Umhoefer	Kaneohe	Hawaii			United		1/29/14
Sean Oakley	Hamilton	Ohio			United		1/29/14
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Robert Walker	Honolulu	Hawaii			United		1/29/14
Nicole Benton	Honolulu	Hawaii			United		1/29/14
Larry McElheny	Haleiwa	Hawaii			United		1/29/14
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Vicki Nakata	Honolulu	Hawaii			United		1/29/14
Susan Ortes	Haleiwa	Hawaii			United		1/29/14
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Robin Batha	El Macero	California			United		1/29/14
david littman	park city	Utah			United		1/29/14
Katrina Nakamura	Honolulu	Hawaii			United		1/29/14
George Bracksieck	Boulder	Colorado			United		1/29/14
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Bennett Kornbrath	ashland	Oregon	97520	United	States	1/29/14
michael sturm	Waianae	Hawaii	96792	United	States	1/29/14
Kris Harms	Kailua	Hawaii	96734	United	States	1/29/14
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Alyssa Scruggs	tigard	Oregon	97223	United	States	1/29/14
Karen Huddleston	Beaverton	Oregon	97008	United	States	1/29/14
Andrew Lee	Saint James C	Florida	33956	United	States	1/29/14
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Serena Kwock	Aiea	Hawaii	96701	United	States	1/29/14
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James Friday	Hilo	Hawaii		United		1/29/14
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Melodie Chu	Sunnyvale	California		United States	1/29/14
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Stephanie James	Honolulu	Hawaii		United States	1/29/14
Sandra Smith	Knoxvillel	Tennessee	37922	<b>United States</b>	1/29/14
Laura Mo	Kailua	Hawaii	96734	<b>United States</b>	1/29/14
Alex Georgiev	Honolulu	Hawaii	96822	<b>United States</b>	1/29/14
Dianne O'Neal	Honolulu	Hawaii	96818	<b>United States</b>	1/29/14
Mariedel Ganotisi	Waipahu	Hawaii	96797	United States	1/29/14
Erich Schrottke	Honolulu	Hawaii	96816	<b>United States</b>	1/29/14
Kenneth Morrison	Ewa Beach	Hawaii	96706	United States	1/29/14
Maria Meador	Mililani	Hawaii	96789	United States	1/29/14
Sarah Griswold	Matthews	North Carolina	28105	United States	1/29/14
James Bradley	New York	New York	10033	<b>United States</b>	1/29/14
Allan Murphy	Brighton	Utah	84121-9779	<b>United States</b>	1/29/14
Ashley Douglas	Kailua	Hawaii	96734	<b>United States</b>	1/29/14
Melissa Capone			3121	Australia	1/29/14
Lisa Voos	Bayport	New York	11705	<b>United States</b>	1/29/14
Erin Dayton	Breckenridge	Colorado	80424	<b>United States</b>	1/29/14



Recipient: Hawaii State Legislature

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Without the passage of this bill, the State of Hawaii is left with very little protection from litigation resulting from injuries that occur on State lands. We believe the lack of liability protection is wholly untenable, especially given the ever-growing popularity of mountain recreation to residents in Hawaii and visitors comprising our tourist economy.

This bill is an agreeable compromise. It notably does not provide the State with absolute immunity, but does require that those engaging in hazardous recreational activities accept the risks associated with their actions. This bill will effectively balance State responsibilities (to maintain public trail systems and to warn of possible hazards) with the responsibilities of individuals to keep themselves safe and adequately prepared. Thus, we fully endorse this essential legislation and urge the Hawaii State Legislature to pass it into law.

Sincerely,

# Comments

Name	Location	Date	Comment
Michael Richardson	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-28	Public lands should be public and not closed, nor should their fate be decide by a minority group of trial attorneys. Climbing rocks, hiking and biking our trails, and pursuing other sports in the mountains should not be a crime due to fear of greed of attorneys.
Dave Fahrenwald	kailua, HI	2014-01-28	Stop funding the trial lawyers and protect our treasury and allow us to enjoy OUR land!
Giovanni Acosta	Austin, TX	2014-01-28	Give people back the joy of being outdoors and doing as they wish with their own beings. Protect the State without punishing the People.
Tracy Taira Carnate	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-28	Assess to learn about Hawaii's mountain peaks, valleys, waterways, ahupua'as, and its unique flora and fauna.
Jairus Grove	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-28	This is a state that should be climbed.
Jairus Grove	HONOLULU, HI	2014-01-28	Some day I might want to climb.
Steve Rohrmayr	Waianae, HI	2014-01-28	I love to hike
Raimar Bylaardt II	Aiea, HI	2014-01-28	I am a Paraglider pilot and think all public areas should be kept open for public use.
Noel Mackisoc	Kailua, HI	2014-01-28	I am an avid mountain biker and love being outdoors in the beauty of Hawaii lands.
Annelies Browne	Victoria, Canada	2014-01-28	I come to Hawaii every year to fly my paraglider and enjoy the hikes. Please keep this open to the public.
Michael Chamberlain	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-28	I am an eco tour guide, an avid hiker, a rock climber, and a lover of the mountains of Hawaii.
William Sankey	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-28	I love the outdoors
Michael Edwards	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-28	I fully believe that if I take the risk I'm the one liable for my own injuries, and I want access to areas we formerly could enjoy
Haydn Huntley	Haiku, HI	2014-01-28	Because I love exploring the outdoors in Hawaii!
Thomas Engle	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-28	This bill is extremely important to me because I believe the state of Hawaii has overly restrictive laws and that because of these restrictions, many recreational hikers, climbers, and other outdoor users do not have safe access to the truly unique and beautiful mountains and valleys of these islands. Unfortunately, access to the mountain areas is severely restricted by military land, private lands, housing developments, KSBE lands, and BWS lands. A reasonable number of access points to the mountains should be provided and in some cases, large entities such as KSBE and BWS should allow recreational users access to their lands with no fear of lawsuits.
Michael Loftin	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-28	I'm a conscientious and responsible hiker who wants to continue enjoying Oahu's wonderful trails.
Neil Randall Castor	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-28	climbing, hiking and mountain biking has been a big part of my life.
Charmaine Chua	Minneapolis, MN	2014-01-28	I rock climb, and it has saved me from a lot of things. I wouldn't want anyone else to lose their life sustaining activities, either.
Daniel Bowe	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-28	Favorite hiking trails closing down one of the best parts of this island.
brian bilsky	honolulu, HI	2014-01-28	I enjoy all Hawaii mountain activities and want to spend as little time inside as possible. I also want to raise and instruct the next generation of responsible adventurists here at home.

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Evelyn Whitney	Muskegon, MI	2014-01-28	Because it's needed
joseph caulfield	kilauea, HI	2014-01-28	i live here to enjoy here
Keith Killgren	Wahiawa, HI	2014-01-28	I'm passionate about hiking (as are others who signed this petition), so taking something that so many hold dear to them would be a travesty.
Kristina Botelho	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-28	I live for hiking. It brings a serenity that no other activity can.
Enleau O'Connor	San Bernadino, CA	2014-01-28	I'm and american and I paraglide and travel
kenji saito	honolulu, HI	2014-01-28	I enjoy the outdoors and feel this is a public asset that should not be lost
Elizabeth Robnett	Kailua, HI	2014-01-28	These closures have affected my daily life in a most negative way. I fear they indicate a trend that will increasingly affect the physical, mental, and spiritual health of the people living in and visiting Hawaii.
Dana Uhrenholdt	Lincoln, NE	2014-01-28	It is my belief that those who participate in any given activity also accepts the risks of said activity, whether that is walking on a sidewalk or hiking a ridge line. Having a small group of individuals hold the joys of this state hostage based on the idea that the state should be held responsible for their own actions is reprehensible and denying countless individuals the right to enjoy the wilderness as they deem fit. Thus I support legislation that places some protection from litigation upon the State of Hawaii and retains the freedom of choice to those who desire to explore.
Adrian McRae	Australia	2014-01-28	I travel to Hawaii often and exclusively for paragliding over its spectacular island paradise. I, however, am responsible for my actions and hold no one but myself accountable for the risks associated in our sport.
Matthew Vidaurri	Aiea, HI	2014-01-28	because I enjoy the outdoors
Todd Marohnic	Volcano, HI	2014-01-28	Throw out ridiculous lawsuits. Accidents happen, accept personal responsibility.
Emma Broussard	Wahiawa, HI	2014-01-28	I like to hike, even if it is really only thinly disguised exercise. Don't keep this from me! It's important for my health and well being!
Brian Richardson	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-28	Public lands should be for the public. It shouldn't be controlled by people who are controlled by worry.
Duc Ong	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-28	Because I believe in personal responsibility.
Ginger Johnson	Makawao, HI	2014-01-28	it our planet

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Thackeray Taylor	Pearl Harbor, HI	2014-01-28	I am an avid hiker of all the Hawaiian islands and I don't think that any wealthy person or business should have the right to restrict land access just because of the placement of their "real estate", which in many cases is placed strategically to cut off certain areas!
Hiram Palimo'o III	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-28	I enjoy hiking and being outdoors with nature. Having access to public land is important for all citizens of Hawai'i. Being a native Hawaiian, it's more important to have access. Mahalo.

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BobbiJo Charloux	Ewa Beach, HI	2014-01-28	I, the undersigned resident of Hawaii very strongly support the passage of SB 1007 (HD1) and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent.  I support this measure because I cherish our right to freely enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains including hiking, biking, trail running, climbing, paragliding and other activities. I are baffled by the State's current absence of liability protection, which has led to ongoing closures of climbing areas, hiking trails, and other scenic sites due to the State's legitimate fear of lawsuits. We strongly believe that public lands need to remain open to the public. It is patently absurd that the State should decide when, where, and how people are able to experience Hawaii's natural wonders - especially when such decisions are made largely based on liability risk assessments. It is time to take a significant step toward reform and shift our landowner liability paradigm toward something sensible, sustainable, and sane.  In comparison to other Western States, Hawaii's recreational liability statutes are sorely lacking. I do not want to see access to mountain sports across the Hawaiian Islands denied or restricted because the lobby for a small group of trial attorneys holds the rest of us hostage. I strongly disagree with previous testimony against liability reform in Hawaii that suggests that the status quo is in the best interest of the public, or that the status quo will keep us safer by holding the State liable for accidents (such as the Brem case in 2012). We are a responsible group of citizens who recognize the assumed risks in engaging in recreational activities on State lands. We believe that individuals who choose to go hiking, climbing, mountain biking, paragliding, or who choose to engage in any other recreational use of public lands, should do so at their own risk.  Without the passage of this bill, the State of Hawaii is left with very little protection from litigation resulting from injuries that occur on State lands. We bel
duncan sleath	Kobe-shi, Japan	2014-01-28	I own a Condo in Alamoana, i visit the island of Oahu 4 times a year. I am a keen rock climber who employs the services of climb Aloha when the climbing areas are open
Jessica Raduege	Oak Harbor, WA	2014-01-28	Keep out public places public and our land free
beau Elliott	Mililani Town, HI	2014-01-28	The beauty of Hawaii shouldn't be prohibited.
Ray Adames	Ewa Beach, HI	2014-01-28	Hiking, trail running, & love the outdoors Has the state closed beaches due to shark attacks?
Joey Kempson	Kailua, HI	2014-01-28	I love hiking and I love to share my hiking adventures with friends and family that get to visit. I hope that the restrictions on lands will be revised so that responsible hikers can enjoy them as we have in the past.

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KEALA FUNG	HALEIWA, HI	2014-01-28	as a rock climber, hiker, mountain biker, and outdoor enthusiast, I value and cherish access to beautiful spots on this beautiful island
Wendy Gibson	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-28	Climbers need to practice to stay proficient. Other sports in Hawaii are not shut out from their sites out of fear of litigation. Other sports (such as surfing) have a much higher rate of serious injury and death than climbing (which is ZERO). Please return the climbing sites to these responsible climberswho have an outstanding safety track record.
Vanassa Smith	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-28	Criminalizing hikers is ridiculous.
Andrea Wu	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-28	I believe everyone should be able to access Hawaii's nature and scenery which we are known for. Are we still "lucky to live Hawaii" if part of that is taken away from us?
Vanassa Smith	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-28	Access to the land is important to me.
Blaise Schoenberg	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-28	I'm a dedicated mountain biker and love the sport please don't take this away from us!
Jamie Defay Collins	Haleiwa, HI	2014-01-28	I love to explore Hawaii, and I am saddened that it seems to be increasingly illegal to do so.
clayton lilly	honolulu, HI	2014-01-28	we need more LEGAL trails on this beautiful island!
Chuck Gregorio	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-28	I have lived in Hawaii for 8 years, and after med school I intend on returning. Public lands are for everyone's access!
Teley Brandon	Aiea, HI	2014-01-28	Public lands are for the public (period)
Vincent Fung	Ormond Beach, FL	2014-01-28	I love the outdoors and everyone deserves to share my love. How can we do that if there aren't any lands to love?
Julia Fain	Lexington, KY	2014-01-28	Everyone should have access to climbing.
James McCown	Columbia, MO	2014-01-28	I visit Hawaii annually. They recently gated the Mariner's Ridge hike, which I do with my daughter every year.
George Cummins	Franlkin, VA	2014-01-28	Public lands should be open to use by the public - but this doesn't mean the state should be responsible for anything someone does on state land. Closing land to protect the state clearly shows the problem with the current laws, and does not provide fair access to public lands by the people.
Rachel Richards	Magrath, Canada	2014-01-28	Hiking is one of the main reasons I go to Hawaii! Take away hiking and I may go check out Cuba instead. Don't alienate yourself from this important segment of tourists!
Markus Grünzweig	Wien, Austria	2014-01-28	this is a question of freedom and why should anybody be banned from walking in this beautiful landscape? There should be warnings that the state distances itself from all happenings that are related to hiking-accidents shit happens
chris scammell	cockermouth, United Kingdom	2014-01-28	paragliding
Martha Ichiyama	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-28	Good for the community keep kids healthy and out of trouble
Scott Bowling	Kailua, HI	2014-01-28	I am an avid hiker and don't want to lose access to trails.
Laura Tryon	Cortlandt Manor, NY	2014-01-28	I visit Hawaii OFTEN and love participating in outdoor adventure activities. To have access denied because others refuse to take responsibility for their own actions is INSANE and unAmerican!!!

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Brandon Adams	Independence, OR	2014-01-28	I will be moving to Oahu in a couple months and am an avid rock climber. I have climbed for many years and have recently taken to climbing El Capitan in Yosemite National Park. I am knowledgeable of rock climbing techniques and dangers,. To close climbing in Hawaii would be to deprive your people of an amazing resource. Climbers are aware of risk in their sport and wish to accept liability for themselves.
Jason Kershner	Ewa Beach, HI	2014-01-28	I love Hawaii & want to be able to enjoy the beautiful outdoors in every way that I can
Philip Carberry	Broomfield, CO	2014-01-28	The mountains are calling! To Keep my sanity recreation outside is a must!
Maria Guardino	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-28	I have hiked for the last 12 years in the mountains, it's my therapy.
Andrew Post	McMinnville, OR	2014-01-28	I'm a rock climber and lover of the natural world
Chris Perrin	Montreal, Canada	2014-01-28	Because Hawai'i is one of the most spectacular natural places on earth, filled with wonder and potential. The modification of this legislature will allow for those of us who visit Hawai'i to continue to enjoy these natural wonders - at our own risk - and keep coming back to Hawai'i.
Andre Assis	Rio de Janeiro, Brazil	2014-01-28	Freedom is a individual right!
Justin Stevens	Aiea, HI	2014-01-28	Much of the beauty of the islands can only been seen along these trails to which this would restrict. Many have only learned to cherish the island & its beauty in these ways as well as maintaining a healthy lifestyle through socializing and hiking activities along these trails. There are already plenty of regulations that prevent hiking on certain trails but to restrict majority or all of them would be catastrophic for not only the hiking community of Hawaii but Hawaii as a whole.
Julie Balazs	ITHACA, NY	2014-01-28	I'm a hiker! When I travel, I pick places based on hiking opportunities.
Brian Fagan	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-28	I enjoy access to the beautiful landscapes of Hawaii, especially Oahu.
Andrew Barber	Bellingham, WA	2014-01-28	My wife and I visit Hawaii about 1 time per year and have climbed at the climbing areas on Oahu. We are both rock climbers and really appreciate the unique climbing area with its beautiful views. We were very sad to find out that it had been closed during our last visit.
David Cartier	Red Hook, NY	2014-01-28	I used to live in HI and still have many friends who do and the thought of public land being closed because of some stupid people who knowingly participate in an activity that can cause harm and then turn around and want to sue the state is ridiculous. People need to take responsibility for their own actions and stop laying blame elsewhere
Arthur Hushen	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-28	I love to hike and think it's unfair that lawsuits are limiting my ability to be able to do it. I am responsible for myself.
Brigitte Suter	Squamish, Canada	2014-01-28	I live in Canada but am an avid climber. I'd like to be able to come to Hawaii and climb.
Kyle Higa	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-28	"We strongly believe that public lands need to remain open to the public. It is patently absurd that the State should decide when, where, and how people are able to experience Hawaii's natural wonders - especially when such decisions are made largely based on liability risk assessments."  Friends, fellow hikers, people who love the outdoors, EVERYONE, please join me in signing this petition!
Lisa Nilsen	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-28	Protect our Aina for our children.
kevin fox	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-28	We need more access to all of the natural beauty Hawaii provides.
Tamela Hushen	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-28	I love to hike, but responsibly and I do so at my own risk.
Natascha Roblee	Kaneohe, HI	2014-01-28	We need to enjoy nature!

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Jeffrey Freeman	San Luis Obispo, CA	2014-01-28	The ONLY reason I would travel to Hawaii is to enjoy its beautiful landscape through hiking, rock climbing, and water sports. I support SB1007 HD1 because it poses a major hurdle for public access to these lands.
cam hines	port coquitlam, Canada	2014-01-28	denying access to the land is unfair. Keeping the land open to public supports a healthy lifestyle and appreciation for the land.
Khym Ansagay	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-28	It is important to me because I enjoy hiking no matter how dangerous can it be. I believe It is not anyone fault but mines for choosing the risk.
Kristin Qureshi	Haleiwa, HI	2014-01-28	I'm a climber and a hiker and I want access to my favorite spots again.
Kathleen Nunokawa	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-28	People shouldn't be denied access to enjoy nature and the beauty of the islands.
Jon Goldberg-Hiller	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-28	I enjoy mountain sports on Oahu, and I'd like to see the state maintain and encourage access to our inland recreational resources.
Michael Cole	Waipahu, HI	2014-01-28	I am an trail and nature enthusiast.
Stephen Jonas	Ewa Beach, HI	2014-01-28	Keeping the trails open allows all to see the natural beauty that the islands have to offer. It offers individuals and families an outdoor activity that not only promotes a healthy lifestyle but well-being. It offers visitors to the islands easy access to view the islands in its natural pristine wonders. If they end up closing the hiking trails what's next the beaches.
patrick switzer	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-28	Public should be allowed on public lands
Richard Bradshaw	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-28	Public lands should be open to the public.
dennis tengan	honolulu, HI	2014-01-28	because i love the outdoors
Julia Joun	Lafayette, CO	2014-01-28	I grew up in Hawaii. One of the things that made it unique was the right of residents to enjoy public lands. Hawaii's natural environment is unique and magical. The public deserves to be able to access it.
mike mcneace	waialua, HI	2014-01-28	These land are OUR lands ,These lands are YOUR lands.Is this song still true?
Hokulani Aikau	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-28	Our public lands need to be open and available for all users. Climbing is a very good recreational sport that when done correctly is safe and fun. Reopen public lands to climbers.
Howard Bentley	Calgary, Canada	2014-01-28	I really want to continue visiting the islands for there beauty and be able to climb and hike at my leisure.
William Sandusky	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-28	We love to hike but we also feel we should take responsibility for ourselves.
Bob Carmichael	Boulder, CO	2014-01-28	Because I'm a climber and I have climbed in these areas when on visiting the North Shore of Oahu. It is really a great different way to enjoy the island. Lots of people both local and vistors love climbing and state areas should remain open to their recreation.
Una Nattermann	Seattle, WA	2014-01-28	Because I greatly value the idea that public lands should be open to the public, and that these recreational areas are important for the health and happiness of the people.
Jonah Thompson	Pittsburgh, PA	2014-01-28	Born and raised in Hawaii, family still there. I learned to climb there and it has taken me around the world. The idea that a small group of attorneys that only seek to protect their ability to litigate, rather than represent the rights of people to enjoy the beauty and physical experience of Hawaii's out doors is a horrible sign of misplaced focus. Imagine this same standard applied to water sports???
Geoff Unger	Stamford, CT	2014-01-28	My fiancé and I are outdoor enthusiasts who like to hike, climb and paraglide.  We have taken many trips to Hawaii and love the islands for the outdoor activities that they offer.

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Honolulu, HI	2014-01-28	I hike, trail run and Mountainbike on our trails every day.
Superior, CO	2014-01-28	I very much enjoy climbing at Aiea on Oahu. I will visit Hawaii more often if this climbing area opens back up.
honolulu, HI	2014-01-28	I spend a lot of time out hiking and biking, with friends and family and it's a key faceet in my life.
Kailua, HI	2014-01-28	It is important that the citizens of Hawaii have access to what Robert Kennedy Jr referred to as the "commons".
Dayton, OH	2014-01-28	I cherish our right to freely enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains
Boulder, CO	2014-01-28	I love climbing and want to preserve for future generations the ability to enjoy the outdoors. I would be a potential visitor to Hawaii and this severely limits my outdoor adventures by having the lands closed. Please consider re-opening these lands.
Haleiwa, HI	2014-01-28	Because public lands are open spaces that we have earned and pay taxes to protect and access!
San Francisco, CA	2014-01-28	I have enjoyed rock climbing in the Hawaiian islands. I think we need to keep this safe and fun recreational activity available.
San Francisco, CA	2014-01-28	I come to Hawaii to paraglide
Old Town, ME	2014-01-28	As a mountain athlete I know and accept the risks of my sports and so does anyone else who participates.
Keaau, HI	2014-01-28	I am a hiker and lifelong resident of Hawaii
Taylorsville, UT	2014-01-28	I'm a climber who would love to come to Hawaii to rock climb!
Evanston, IL	2014-01-28	My wife and I are avid hikers (and former rock climbers), with an avid interest in hiking in Hawaii.
Sunnyvale, CA	2014-01-28	i was born and raised in hawaii, am now a recreational rock climber, and am saddened by the closure of the few climbing areas that hawaii has to offer its residents.
Ewa Beach, HI	2014-01-28	Hiking is a great stress reliever, not to mention a great work out. We live in Hawaii that offers such beautiful views that you don't see when surrounded by homes & businesses.
Haleiwa, HI	2014-01-28	It is important to allow access to public lands.
Honolulu, HI	2014-01-28	It is important to me because these are the places that have come to be the most meaningful places in my life. I find peace clarity and lose myself in the beauty of nature.
Norman, OK	2014-01-28	I am planning a vacation this year. I really want to visit Hawaii, but if there is no possible way to climb there, I will probably have to pick another location.
Kailua, HI	2014-01-28	I have been hiking on Oahu for over 40 years and am appalled by how many trails have been closed over the years.
Los Alamos, NM	2014-01-28	I am a climber who has been affected by area closures in several states. It is always sad and discouraging. Preventing area closures is preferable to reopening them, but it's hopeful to see that a solution may exist for this area. Public lands should remain open!  I lived on Oahu for about three years, but was not a climber at that time. I plan to return, and getting to climb there would be a great experience!
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Eric Howard	Nashville, TN	2014-01-28	I love climbing and have no problem signing a release that says I wont hold the land owner responsible for my actions
Andrew Carson	Wilson, WY	2014-01-28	Having lived there as a youth, I'd be saddened to see its wonderful recreational opportunities curtailed because of lack of legislative oversight. Please fix that. Thanks.
Kurt Birkenmeier	Glenwood Springs, CO	2014-01-28	I would love to visit Hawaii but if there's no climbing access I would tend to go somewhere else.
Steve Park	Fort McMurray, Canada	2014-01-28	When we visit Hawaii we want to hike, bike and especially, paraglide the islands. Shutting down access to the outdoors is shutting down any reason to visit your state!
Jennifer Bongorno	Cleveland Heights, OH	2014-01-28	When I visit Hawaii, I would like to be able to hike and climb there to enjoy the high points of the land.
John Miller	Kailua, HI	2014-01-28	Americans must re-internalize their duty to their own personal responsibility of risk no matter the form. We must stop coddling people. It only creates weaker Americans.
Nancy Kraus	Chester, PA	2014-01-28	As a Boy Scout leader, I know there are many people into Climbing. There is even a merit badge for it within the Boy Scouts of America. Climbing places are fewer than you would think and it is important to protect the areas we do have.
jason nelson	salt lake city, UT	2014-01-28	I am a climber and climbing access is important to me.
hawkins biggins	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-28	I enjoy my time in the mountains and nature and believe that having access to nature is important!
Guy MacCracken	Wahiawā, HI	2014-01-28	I know the risks involved in my recreational activities and should be allowed to engage in those activities.
Adrien Tanguay	Marcellus, NY	2014-01-28	I want to protect climbing access for my daughter and myself every where possible.
Bob Blount	Vail, CO	2014-01-28	closures set a bad precedent for future activity, all you need are liability waivers at all launch sites
Jordan Hill	Blacksburg, VA	2014-01-28	I have visited Hawaii three times, and each time one of my reasons for coming was to hike and rock climb. If these natural resources are closed of to outdoor enthusiasts, I would seriously question returning to the state which has such an abundance of amazing mountain landscapes and rock features. Please support the passage of SB 1007.
Hans Florine	Concord, CA	2014-01-28	I am a climber and outdoor adventurer
Hillary Waters	Minneapolis, MN	2014-01-28	I want to rock climb in Hawaii the next time I'm there on vacation!
Sharyl Crossley	Chattanooga, TN	2014-01-28	I love the outdoors and believe public land should be kept open for the public
Jonathan Hoover	oceanside, CA	2014-01-28	I spend a lot of time in Hawaii and enjoy all forms of recreating from the mountains to the sea!
Eva Brown	New Rochelle, NY	2014-01-28	We all have the right to do anything we desires, those that suffer any injuries are responsible for their own actions.
arthur smith	Knoxville, TN	2014-01-28	My family is from Oahu, and I visit at least once a year. I certainly enjoy all the water sports, but being able to rock climb the Hawaiian mountain is just as important to me as the hiking. The majesty of the views in Hawaii are just unmatched anywhere in the world. I look as climbing like it is vertical climbing and I am getting a view that no one (or very few ) get. NO I am not a thrill seeker. I am a 60 year old physician but cherish all the outdoor activities. Thank you for your consideration

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Michael Holl	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-28	Individuals should take and be allowed to take responsibility for themselves.	
Meagan Sundberg	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-28	I love to hike and don't want to be restricted to visiting the hikes I love.	
Thomas Atherton	Asheville, NC	2014-01-28	because climbing is a very positive recreation and climbers can be a strong positive impact on the local parks and lands and especially so on the local economy	
Eric Menninga	Seattle, WA	2014-01-28	I enjoy using the outdoors in Washington and Hawaii and I would like to be treated as an adult who can decide for himself what activities to engage in.	
A. Andrew Pacheco	Milwaukee, WI	2014-01-28	My wife, daughter and I are avid climbers and hikers. We would live to be able to explore as many of Hawaii's wild areas as possible when we come to visit.	
Junaid Dawud	Boulder, CO	2014-01-28	I learned to climb and became a hiker on public lands in Hawai'i. For almost a decade I used these sacred places to sooth my soul and reconnect with nature. They should be open to the enjoyment of the people of the state and visitors from every corner of the world.	
Nancy Jeakins	Fort Langley, Canada	2014-01-28	I spend almost 6 months every year in Hawaii, in Waiane on Oahu. My husband is Hawaiian and we love to walk in the mountains.	
Allison Cicchini	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-28	I support this measure because I cherish our right to freely enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains including hiking, biking, trail running, climbing, paragliding and other activities. I am an adult and I accept the risk and responsibility of my actions.	
Ann WATKINS	PHOENIX, AZ	2014-01-28	I travel to Hawaii on business weekly and enjoy hiking out doors in Beautiful Hawaii. I especially like Sleeping Giant and Diamond Head mountains.	
Eric Hockett	pearl harbor, HI	2014-01-28	I am a climber and I would like to be able to experience the natural rock faces the island has to offer	
Donald Bolton-Haughton	Aiea, HI	2014-01-28	I love hiking, and the change is dumb	
Donn Viviani	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-28	I agree with the theory that public lands should be open to the public and that people should be able to engage in outdoor recreation, even if it holds some element of risk.	
Mayhew Eric	Golden, CO	2014-01-28	I travel around the world climbing at different locations. I would love to come to HI and would like to climb there.	
Emmanuel Singh	milpitas, CA	2014-01-28	I want to be able to enjoy the land that I live on.	
bob tyson	waimanalo, HI	2014-01-28	enjoy hiking the mts.and Hawaii's nature	
howard anderson	milpitas, CA	2014-01-28	Stop limiting our recreational activities	
Aldora Kamm	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-28	I believe hiking to should open to the public and not closed.	
Joshua Thomas	Kailua, HI	2014-01-28	Public lands belong to the people. With current recreational infrastructure, locals are being compelled to use the land irresponsibly, i.e. illegal trails, etc. We are healthy, responsible adults who choose and promote beneficial lifestyles. If we are to promote health and wellbeing for the public, which Hawaii sorely needs, we need the ability to do so. The available sanctioned areas of recreation are crowded at best, what happens when more individuals decide to use these areas?	
Kelly Quin	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-28	As an avid hiker and nature lover, who takes full responsibility for her actions when hiking I want to support the passing of SB1007 HD1 to keep trails open and re-open the ones that have been closed. Mahalo!	
Karl Dennis	Kailua, HI	2014-01-28	State land should be for use by everyone. To climb, bike, swim, run, hike, etc. Beaches are not closing because someone got hurt surfing. Why close them because of other injuries inherent in the activities that are being pursued at the individuals own risk?	

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Kevin Nesnow	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-28	Return our public lands back to the public!
Barry Baker	Converse, IN	2014-01-28	This bill is important as it stresses one of the more associated and timely topics, which is that as Americans we need to both protect our freedoms and also individually bear the responsibility for our personal actions and decisions.
Selena Pang	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-28	I hike all the time when I'm homeit's how I unwind from school, from the mainland, from anything! The trails mean so much to me, and are an integral part of the sense of place created by the islands. I don't want to see a single one go.
Tanya Leinicke	Anchorage, AK	2014-01-28	We own a home in Kaawa, Oahu and I am a climber. I would love to enjoy the beauty of our island while doing what I love the most.
Travis Peckham	Underhill, VT	2014-01-28	Public lands must remain open to responsible public use. I support laws that encourage recreation on state lands.
Joe Karwoski	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-28	I love mountainbiking and want to see the sport grow on Oahu
Emma Forbes	Lake Peekskill, NY	2014-01-28	I love being outside and exploring the island. Restrictions and regulations make it difficult. This is where I live and I want to be able to enjoy it.
Jason Ogasian	Santa Clara, CA	2014-01-28	I am an avid outdoor enthusiast with plans to visit Hawaii several times and plan to live there in the near future.
casey clay	bend, OR	2014-01-28	Because I love climbing and want to be able to climb as many places as possible. While still loving and respecting the world I live in.
Roberto Torres	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-28	I'm an avid hiker who sustained injuries last year due to a fall. I alone am accountable for that and desire to continue navigating trails at my own risk. It is a passion I would rather the government not prohibit me from pursuing
Natnan Nachtigall	Kailua, HI	2014-01-28	This is one of the best ways to exercise and meet awesome people while on the trail.
Jessica Klein	St. Augustine, FL	2014-01-28	I just moved off island, and as often as possible when I lived there I was out on the trails and mountains breathing fresh air, sweating, and taking in the gorgeousness that is Oahu. Every bit of it. It would be a tragedy for the magic of Hawaii's hiking trails to be lost to the public.
Megan Zynn	South Pasadena, CA	2014-01-28	We should have the freedom to enjoy the Earth!
Cleveland Wilson	Villa Hills, KY	2014-01-28	I love nature!
John Hall	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-28	Our mountains are so beautiful and hiking in them is a soothing, relaxing, energizing experience. Like all sports, there are some hazards involved in hiking, but this is no reason to deny access to the great many people who approach the mountains with care and respect and who benefit so greatly from the healthy exercise and spiritual refreshment. Please help us to maintain access to our lovely and much valued trails! Thank you.
John Rennie	Ware, United Kingdom	2014-01-28	The people should have access to the beautiful land they live in and tourists should also or they won't be there
Byron Cook	San Diego, CA	2014-01-28	Getting outdoors is a quality of life and mental health issue.
Ralph Valentino	Mililani, HI	2014-01-28	Get the state out of being sued by people who lack the responsibility for their own actions.
Peter Reimers	Wahiawā, HI	2014-01-28	I am a strong supporter of residents and visitors right to choose at their own risk to explore areas that have been enjoyed by countless others through the decades.
Dominic Cregan	Oud-Vossemeer, Netherlands	2014-01-28	I believe that everybody is responsible for themselves at all times, and finding a scapegoat for their mistakes in life is an age old trait of mankind and I don't want to be a part of it

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paul robinson	boulder, CO	2014-01-28	climbing in hawaii is an incredible experience and should be accessible to everyone!
Buster Jesik	loveland, CO	2014-01-29	because I value personal liberty and responsibility.
Lisa Horkin	Columbus, OH	2014-01-29	I want the right to enjoy climbing and other recreational activities when i come visits Hawaii.
Neil Higa	Austin, TX	2014-01-29	My family is from Hawaii and I love the natural and outdoor activities there. I really do hope that access to these activities remain, and this bill is a huge positive step forward in seeing that this happens.
Reese Phillips	Albuquerque, NM	2014-01-29	I frequently hike in the mountains of Oahu and other islands. I recognize the potential risks associated with this activity. The State (HI) should not be held liable for my willing participation. Nor should the State try to limit my access for my "own good." People must be held accountable for their choices!
Harrison Deisroth	wahiawa, HI	2014-01-29	We need these lands to help progress the sport of mountain biking in Hawaii
Renan Martins	Summerland, CA	2014-01-29	I respect nature, its secrets and isolation
Chaz Luke	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-29	hiking is one of the greatest things to do in Hawaii. please don't take that away from the people who respect the land and enjoy the land.
David Lewis	Kailua, HI	2014-01-29	As an avid hiker and mountain biker it is important to me and thousands of others to maintain public access to the trails we love.
Derek Leong	San Francisco, CA	2014-01-29	We need to stop legislating to protect people from common sense, and people need to take responsibility for themselves in any activity they engage in!
Maria Perez-Andujar	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-29	I hike all the time and enjoy the outdoors. I am tired of seeing more and more hikes closed for no reason!
Jacob Risken	San Luis Obispo, CA	2014-01-29	I'm an avid climber and a citizen that is increasingly tired of how our country is growing increasingly afraid of and abusing litigation.
Robert Richter	Colorado City, AZ	2014-01-29	I someday want to take a vacation to Hawaii and paraglide there and not have sites shut down.
maile Mitchell-Akita	Kailua, HI	2014-01-29	I love nature! i love Hawaii! I want myself and future generations to protect it and i they can't see it, touch it, experience it, how will they know the beauty that is locked behind the fences and no access signs?!
Michele Lyons	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-29	It's not fair for those that are responsible to be banned from things they like to do, just because of those that are irresponsible. And it's not fair that because they are irresponsible, the city or state has to pay for their lack of common sense.
Brenda Lovette-Cole	Waimanalo, HI	2014-01-29	I love nature and run trails. I want my grandchildren to have the same fun and to see the same beauty.
David Champaign	Avon, CO	2014-01-29	Access to rural hiking and paragliding is extremely important to me and my community.
Tabatha Pinkston	Ewa Beach, HI	2014-01-29	I love going on trails and I espect the land.
Yen Phan	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-29	Keep the trails and land open to the public.
Jon Miller	Las Vegas, NV	2014-01-29	I have family and friends who live in HI. The public lands should be open to climbing as the surf is available for surfing.
Ryan Sears	Germantown, MD	2014-01-29	The mountains of Hawaii are beautiful and amazing spaces and should be able to be enjoyed by all.
Jason Hester	Wahiawa, HI	2014-01-29	I think it is important to preserve public recreational access to our beautiful land in Hawaii.

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Matt Okahata	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-29	Closing public access is a mere bandaid to a serious issue and closing off venues that serve as a means to exercise will have negative repercussions upon the health of the population. Hawaii is known for its beautiful outdoors, let's not forget that.
Jeff McCloud	Kapolei, HI	2014-01-29	I am an avid paraglider pilot, hiker, and Hawaii resident of 10 years.
Ira Johnson	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-29	I love hiking in Hawaii. I take responsibility for my own risk. In fact, I told my wife, "If I die hiking and you sue someone, I will haunt you!"
rachel moon	Vancouver, Canada	2014-01-29	Please keep your amazing public lands open to the public, makes sense to me
Roxanne Adams	Seaside, CA	2014-01-29	My husband is an avid rock climber, and safety is his priority. We are moving to Hawaii and it would be a shame if he couldn't continue doing what he loves in such a beautiful place.
john brummitt	pearl city, HI	2014-01-29	mountainbiker
Daniel Peters	Pearl City, HI	2014-01-29	I hike every week and believe in personal responsibility. Aloha
ivy ritter	wahiawa, HI	2014-01-29	I enjoy the beauty of the island. im here through military and I have found great friends through hiking. its great to meet other along the way and learn new things that have help make me respect what Hawaii has to offer.
Zachary Mildon	Shakopee, MN	2014-01-29	I only recently moved away from Alaska, Hawaii's odd sibling. I've only hand the opportunity to visit the Big Island on one occasions. Like Alaska, Hawaii holds some of the most amazing places in the US, these and all public lands should remain open to the public. Exploring Alaska I never once assumed that anyone other then myself was responsible for my well being, nor would I assume any different anywhere else.
Michael Solis	Laie, HI	2014-01-29	I use the mountains for enjoyment as do my friends and family. It is important the State know that I take responsibility for my actions and support this bill.
CHRIS GROVER	Tigard, OR	2014-01-29	We made a tip to Hawaii and wanted to Mt Bike and Climb. My wife checked into the climbing closures and we decided to limit the number of days on the islands. We still had a great time but would have liked to combine the climbing experience with the scuba diving and other activities.
Todd Melton	Makawao, HI	2014-01-29	Preserving access to state lands
mary donaldson	ipswich, MA	2014-01-29	hawaii is so beautiful & should be shared
Brenda Weggen	Osseo, WI	2014-01-29	Freedom
Chris Farrar	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-29	One of the best aspects about being in Hawai'i for residents and visitors alike is the ability to enjoy the outdoors and discover all the beautiful sites this state has to offer. However, over the past few years this has become more and more difficult due to increased restrictions on access to public lands and the threat of heavy-handed fines or imprisonment if these restrictions are violated. If this predicament is due to the threat of litigation, we need to pass this bill. Other states have passed similar legislation to protect themselves against frivolous lawsuits Why can't Hawai'i? This bill would not only be a benefit to the residents of this state, but without it, more and more visitors are likely to start looking for other places to vacation where their ability to enjoy the outdoors is not so limited.

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Jodi Hoffman	Olympia, WA	2014-01-29	I lived on Oahu for 4 years. I enjoyed and treasure my time there to this day. The freedom to explore Hawaii's beauty should not be taken away from locals or people like me that come to the islands. There are risks people take everyday and known consequences of any situation. It should be up to the individuals to take these risk not any government!!! So much is being taken away and limited by our government today lets not make the beauty of the islands one of them!!!
Angeline Munoz	Tracy, CA	2014-01-29	I visit Hawaii frequently, and love to walk around scenic sites. I would hate that any would be closed off.
Don Pedde	Sidney, BC, Canada	2014-01-29	As occasional visitors to Hawaii, my family and I enjoy and cherish the ability to visit Hawaii's natural and wild spaces.
Bruce Morris	Belmont, CA	2014-01-29	As a rock climber in Northern California, I find it odd that Hawaii doesn't have legislation in place to protect the State from liability for recreational activities undertaken on public lands.
Darrin Gabriel	waipahu, HI	2014-01-29	Public land should be just that: Public!
michael sturm	Waianae, HI	2014-01-29	I have a deep appreciation for the land and I hike, hunt, bike, climb, and generally have a good time all over these mountains! It upsets me when my favorite trails are shut down due to potential injury. Lets keep them open!
Andrew Lee	Saint James City, FL	2014-01-29	Outdoor recreation on public lands is the reason we visit Hawaii and spend money in restaurants and shops. Mountain biking and hiking is usually a central theme in our trips to Hawaii. The recent closures of trails is devastating, especially in a place where land is at a premium.
Chris Bruns	Haleiwa, HI	2014-01-29	When I go windsurfing at Mokuleia Beach Park, it would be nice if my wife could go climbing with her friends at the Mokuleia Crag. DLNR closed the Mokuleia climbing area over a year and a half ago and it's adversely affected our weekend plans. Let her climb!
Jonathan Oldenburger	Waterloo, Canada	2014-01-29	Access to public lands is a great way for young and old to enjoy nature
Sandy Gottesman	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-29	I hike every chance I get. It is a way to exercise without dodging traffic and gives me a chance to enjoy the peace I find on the trails.
Darren Ito	Mililani, HI	2014-01-29	Freedom to have fun
Celia Routt	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-29	freedom!
Carol West	Makawao, HI	2014-01-29	I'm a hiker. I enjoy walking in the forest or through a rivulet or across a national park. Hiking trials need to remain open for all to enjoy. If signage is there and someone falls, etc. the courts need to ascertain as to whether or not a suit filed is not frivolous. The careless few shouldn't be allowed to close our trails because of their inadequacies or foolishness.
Melecio Estrella	Portland, OR	2014-01-29	Climbing is beautiful
Kdy Patterson	Aurora, CO	2014-01-29	Because the land is my family
Beata Majewska	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-29	I love hiking and spend time close to nature.
Bryce Gosney	La Mesa, CA	2014-01-29	As a climber in Hawaii, I respect state lands and beautiful Hawai'i. There is no better way to see this beauty than from a clifftop. Please reopen Hawai'i to climbing.
Elizabeth Barney	Honolulu, United States	2014-01-29	Please allow consenting adults to take responsibility for their own actions and freely enjoy the beautiful outdoor activities that Hawaii has to offer!!
Adam Finn	lihue, HI	2014-01-29	Paragliding keeps us sane

Name	Location	Date	Comment
Valarie Biancaniello	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-29	i enjoy hiking and rock climbing very much. But more than that, I believe each of us should take full responsibility for our decisions and actions without any expectation of compensation from any person, entity, or the state should an accident occur.
Karl Burgerhoff	Solana Beach, CA	2014-01-29	Climbing is amazing.
Linda von Geldern	Kailua, HI	2014-01-29	I lived in Hawaii for almost 40 years. I care!
Krystal Wright	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-29	Hiking trails and other outdoor activities is what Hawaii is all about! This is THE REAL HAWAII! Please don't restrict access to nature - everyone at his/her own risk!
Brian Schmidt	Wahiawa, HI	2014-01-29	I enjoy my freedom to enjoy the natural areas. I don't hold the state responsible for actions I take. It is ridiculous to hold the state responsible for our own questionable decisions.
Rebe Varghese	Kailua, HI	2014-01-29	Because land should be available to everyone for enjoyment and pleasurenot to harm but to be at peace with.
Henrique Duarte	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-29	I'm an avid outdoorsman and want to preserve my right to use state public land for recreation
Moana Henderson	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-29	I want to try and venture up the stairway to heaven before i die, it is on my bucket list. i wish they would allow 4 wheeling and stop blocking off the access to beaches and hiking trails, very burdensome. These places should be open to the public and yes, at their risk. Hawaii is the best place to enjoy nature and the outdoors, please release al these restrictions on the land.
Tim O'Neill	Cambria, CA	2014-01-29	I visit HI at least 5 times a year and would hesitate to fly and hike Hawaii if this law is not passed. Please protect the rights of individuals to experience the land of HI!
Noel Kent	Honolulu,, HI	2014-01-29	I am a hiker and wish to continue to enjoy the mountains and trails of Oahu and other islands.
Jessica Molina	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-29	The real danger in life is not enjoying this land that God created for our pleasure to it's fullest potential. If I ever get hurt or worse while surfing, hiking, biking, climbing, etc, know that I died with a huge smile on my face doing something that I love and enjoying the simple pleasures of life. The statistics on humans dying are staggering100% of all living organisms will die. Measure your life on it's quality not quantity of years. Please keep public lands open and prevent ANY AND ALL lawsuits that target the state or private land owners for accidents on their land.
Johnny Le	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-29	I love hiking and personally experiencing the beauty that the islands have to offer and would be devastated if I lost access to my favorite trails.
Ravindran Sriramachandran	Coimbatore, India	2014-01-29	If an individual chooses to engage in any sport or recreation in public lands knowing the risk involved, I dont see any reason for the state to intervene.
Mary Krug	Shingle Springs, CA	2014-01-29	Rock climbing is an awesome outdoor community-building activity much like surfing. Keeping this sport alive is critical to Hawaii's community. Climbers are a very unique Ohana in Hawaiithey will promote awareness of the uniqueness of Hawaii nature.
Miles Burkart	Los Angeles, CA	2014-01-29	This issue impacts Hawaii eco-tourism and small business opportunities.
Keahi Kaawa	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-29	The opportunity to serve the land is one the most important responsibilities we have. Hiking allows us access to those areas that we serve. Mahalo.
Sarah Kaonohi	Kaneohe, HI	2014-01-29	I love hiking around this beautiful island and it would be ashame for people to
			not be able to enjoy the beauty that we call Hawaii nei.

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Robert McAllaster	Kailua, HI	2014-01-29	I am a trail runner, hiker and mountain bike rider and I want the trails to be kept open.
Erich Schrottke	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-29	I'm a paraglider pilot, hiker, and surfer. I understand and accept the inherent risks in enjoying these sports. We limit the opportunity for all of us, locals and visitors alike who understand and accept the risks and enjoying the unique and amazing outdoor opportunities our islands provide. Other states have enacted similar legislation, why can't we? We should be able to have access and enjoy public lands at our own risk.
Sarah Griswold	Matthews, NC	2014-01-29	Hawaii is a beautiful place that should be fully accessible to all who wish to enjoy the beauty it has to offer!
Ashley Douglas	Kailua, HI	2014-01-29	I enjoy hiking the many trails throughout our beautiful state and am dismayed by the increasing closure of access points. We should not be denied access to the land due to fear on the part of the state or landowners that they will be sued when an accident occurs on their land.
David Hyney	Little Falls, NY	2014-01-29	Closing climbing is just one step closer to we as Americans losing freedom. Every step that reduces this freedom just drives us to spend money in other locations within the US or countries that allow us to be ourselves as individuals and Americans.
Tim Guenther	Lansing, MI	2014-01-29	I have friends who live their and I support the premise behind this bill.
Jitte Jorritsma	Limmen, Netherlands	2014-01-29	Freedom
Kevin Whalley	Escondido, CA	2014-01-29	As a possible visitor who is active in many of the activities listed in the petition I support it as those are the things I would like to do when I visit Hawaii
MARY GIEHL	Syracuse, NY	2014-01-29	I am a rock climber and 2-3 times a year travel to different parts of the world to climb. I will only visit Hawaii if rock climbing is available
Jolene Sy	St. Louis, MO	2014-01-29	I am a climber and my best friend is a resident of Hawaii. Budgeting for separate climbing trips and trips to see my friend can be hard. Indeed, it costs quite a bit of both time and money to travel from Missouri to Hawaii. I would visit on a more frequent basis if the area was open to climbing.
Susan Ching	Mililani, HI	2014-01-29	As a citizen of the aloha state I've been hiking for years. I can't imagine not being able to access the mauka hiking trails I love. Please find a way to keep our trails open on public lands.
Amanda Gambill	Plainfield, IN	2014-01-29	As a previous visitor to Hawaii, I would not consider visiting again if I would not be permitted to climb or hike. Exploring the gorgeous landscape is the main reason to visit the state!
Jenny Rumbaoa	Pearl City, HI	2014-01-29	I respect the land and I love to hike. It would not be fair to those innocent individuals who loves nature and Hawaii for its beauty.
Ali Figeroa	Las Vegas, NV	2014-01-29	I am a born and raised Kama'aina and love and respect my Aina in all it's beauty. Therefore being able to do what we always did in every aspect of our lives growing up in the beautiful nature of our Aina should always commence Freely, respectfully and lovingly!
Celeste Rogers	Kapolei, HI	2014-01-29	I'm an avid hiker and have been for decades. Hikers should not be allowed to sue the State when they exercise poor judgement on trails. I support the passage of HB 1107 (HD1).
Paula Gambill	Mooresville, IN	2014-01-29	I love Hawaii and my son in law loves to climb.
Elena L	Miami, FL	2014-01-29	I am an avid climber and am visiting Hawaii soonwould love to climb there!
Kevin Heist	Ann Arbor, MI	2014-01-29	Because I am a climber/ outdoor enthusiast who may be visiting Hawaii in the future.

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Shannon Stuart-Smith	Lexington, KY	2014-01-29	I am life-long advocate for access to responsible outdoor recreation on public land and SB 1007 achieves this goal in a balanced, common sense approach. Providing access to outdoor recreation should be a priority for any governmental or regulatory agency charged with the health and welfare of the public and managing public land. Access to outdoor physical recreation should part of a broader public health policy that encourages physical activity not take it away. Public lands should remain open to the public, especially for recreation. This bill (and eventual law) would rectify Hawaii's liability omission and be a benefit for all citizens.
Dave Palombo	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-29	Being able to experience the natural wonder of Hawaii is huge part of my life, To remove this because of a selfish group of people is not right.
Puanani Frobel	Kaneohe, HI	2014-01-29	I want our trails reopened
bryant lemon	albuquerque, NM	2014-01-29	I travel to Hawaii to enjoy adventure sports in the mountainsparagliding and hiking to be more specificaccess to public lands is critical to enjoying these activitieswithout this access my interest in spending my vacation time and money in Hawaii will be negated.
Greg Ventura	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-29	These litigations are excessive and frivolous. People need to hold themselves accountable for their actions and decisions.
RD Pascoe	Boulder, CO	2014-01-29	Recreational use of public lands is important to individuals and communities.  Health and economic values of public lands are well documented and unnecessary restrictions hurt everyone.
rebbaz royee	oakland, CA	2014-01-29	As a climber, I specifically visit places that I can climb at. ie, I have been to France, not to visit Paris, but rather to climb in Fontainebleau. Thus, without a source of climbing in Hawaii, I will likely choose a different tropical destination that will benefit from my tourist dollars.
Tarjia Johnson	Windsor Mill, MD	2014-01-29	I want the Earth to belong to all of the people as intended. It was given to all of us by whomever created it.
Wendy Minor	Kamuela, HI	2014-01-29	We need access for our open spaces for exercise, enjoying the beauty of our state. Soon there will be nowhere to go.
Clarissa Gosney	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-29	I learned how to climb on these beautiful routes and was devastated when they were shut down. Climbing is an amazing way to explore and truly experience the island. Please save our climbing spots!
Mark Denzer	HOnolulu, HI	2014-01-29	Improve tourism with free access. Allow my family access.
Elle Robertson	Annapolis, MD	2014-01-29	The land held by the state does not belong to the government but to the citizens who put that government in place. Public land needs to remain open to the public. The government must pass SB1007 to ensure land remains accessible. As someone who has enjoyed hiking and climbing on Oahu, Kauai, Maui, Lanai, and the Big Island, I am a responsible citizen who engaged in these activities knowingly at my own risk. I strongly believe in personal responsibility. Others who engaging in similar activities must accept the risks associated with their choices. Pass SB1007 to enact liability protections against unwarranted lawsuits and to keep land accessible.
elton sales	Goose Creek, SC	2014-01-29	Love coming back home every year and hike on the beautiful trails
Liz Croegaert	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-29	As an avid hiker and trail runner, with the utmost respect for the land here, I would never hold the state responsible for my own actions in the mountains. Those that oppose this bill are only searching for money, and those who abuse the current laws should not be hiking these dangerous, yet magnificent mountains. This bill will help to make our trails safer, and help us enjoy the land at it's best.

Name	Location	Date	Comment
OLGA VOVK	GAITHERSBURG, MD	2014-01-29	I AM A HIKER AND I LOVE TO SPEND MY VACATION IN HAWAII - BIG ISLAND, AND I "o not want to see access to mountain sports across the Hawaiian Islands denied or restricted because the lobby for a small group of trial attorneys holds the rest of us hostage."

January 28, 2014

TO: Hawai'i State Legislature

RE: SB1007

FR: Robert Bachini

Please pass SB1007 HD1 and protect access to public lands in Hawai'i.

In the words of Robert Kennedy Jr., "All citizens should have the right of access to the Commons".

I strongly support the passage of SB 1007 (HD1) and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent.

I support this measure because I cherish my right to freely enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains including hiking, biking, trail running, climbing, paragliding and other activities. I am baffled by the State's current absence of liability protection, which has led to ongoing closures of climbing areas, hiking trails, and other scenic sites due to the State's legitimate fear of lawsuits. I strongly believe that public lands need to remain open to the public. It is patently absurd that the State should decide when, where, and how people are able to experience Hawaii's natural wonders - especially when such decisions are made largely based on liability risk assessments. It is time to take a significant step toward tort reform and shift our landowner liability paradigm toward something sensible, sustainable, and sane.

Peter Plotzeneder pplotz@hotmail.com

To whom it may concern:

RE: SB1007 SD2 - RELATING TO PUBLIC LAND LIABILITY

I think that it can only help us in the long run to bring accountability back to the people. It may be up to the state to make sure that people don't hurt themselves. To do something as simple as post a sign on certain areas/trails warning individuals of the potential dangers is more than enough. But if a person gets hurt on a trail or public land that has been posted as "expert only" should alleviated the states liability to any claims.

The way things are worded now seems like I can hold the state liable if I fall down and skin my knee...

My example is ski areas, they have terrain that people die on quite often, but the ski area posted warnings, etc, so that if a person gets hurt, it is their own liability.

As a state we should however also offer recovery services (which we do).

Mahalo for your time and consideration.

Aloha,

Peter Plotzeneder

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Submitted on: 1/28/2014

Testimony for JUD on Jan 30, 2014 14:00PM in Conference Room 325

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Nicholas Torres	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Please approve SB1007 that amends Act 82 and returns responsibility to individual people. Nature is a key part of Hawaii's beauty. I can find cities anywhere in the world. I can't find the amazing combination of natural beauty and adventure anywhere else without treking halfway across the globe to a remote desolate area. The Consumer lawyerse of Hawaii are only interested in capitalizing on others' misfortune for their own benefits. Do not legislate away what makes Hawaii a paradise.

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	Allison Cicchini	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I, the undersigned resident of Hawaii very strongly support the passage of SB 1007 (HD1) and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent. I support this measure because I cherish our right to freely enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains including hiking, biking, trail running, climbing, paragliding and other activities. I am concerned about the State's current absence of liability protection, which has led to ongoing closures of climbing areas, hiking trails, and other scenic sites due to the State's legitimate fear of lawsuits. I strongly believe that public lands need to remain open to the public. In comparison to other western states, Hawaii's recreational liability statutes are sorely lacking. I do not want to see access to mountain sports across the Hawaiian Islands denied or restricted due to a group of 4,000 trial attorneys. I strongly disagree with previous testimony against liability reform in Hawaii that suggests that the status quo is in the best interest of the public, or that status quo will keep us safer by holding the State liable for accidents (such as the Brem case in 2012). I am a responsible citizen who recognizes the assumed risks in engaging in recreational activities on State lands. I believe that individuals who choose to go hiking, climbing, mountain biking, paragliding, or who choose to engage in any other recreational use of public lands, should do so at their own risk. Without the passage of this bill, the State of Hawaii is left with very little protection from litigation resulting from injuries that occur on State lands. I believe the lack of liability protection is untenable, especially given the ever-growing popularity of mountain recreation to residents in Hawaii and visitors, comprising our tourist economy. This bill is an agreeable compromise. It notably does not provide the State with absolute immunity, but does require that those engaging in hazardous recreational activities accept the risks associated with their actions. This bill will effectively balance State responsibilities (to maintain public trail systems and to warn of possible hazards) with individual responsibilities. Thus, I fully endorse this essential legislation provided in SB 1007 (HD1) and urge the Hawaii State Legislature to pass it into law. Allison M Cicchini

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I as a resident homeowner of Hawaii very strongly support the passage of SB 1007 (HD1) and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent.

I support this measure because I cherish my right and other's right to freely enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains including hiking, biking, trail running, climbing, paragliding and other activities. The State's current liability protection is inadequate, which has led to ongoing closures of climbing areas, hiking trails, and other scenic sites due to the State's legitimate fear of lawsuits. I strongly believe that public lands need to remain open to the public. It is time to take a significant step toward tort reform and shift our landowner liability paradigm toward something sensible, sustainable, and sane.

In comparison to other Western States, Hawaii's recreational liability statutes are sorely lacking. Access to mountain sports across the Hawaiian Islands have been restricted due to the state's rightful fear of litigation because of the actions of a small group of trial lawyers. I strongly disagree with previous testimony against liability reform in Hawaii that suggests that the status quo is in the best interest of the public, or that the status quo will keep us safer by holding the State liable for accidents (such as the Brem case in 2012). We are a responsible group of citizens who recognize the assumed risks in engaging in recreational activities on State lands. I believe that individuals who choose to go hiking, climbing, mountain biking, paragliding, or who choose to engage in any other recreational use of public lands, should do so at their own risk.

Without the passage of this bill, the State of Hawaii is left with very little protection from litigation resulting from injuries that occur on State lands. I believe the lack of liability protection is irresponsible, especially given the ever-growing popularity of mountain recreation to residents in Hawaii and visitors comprising our tourist economy.

This bill is an agreeable compromise. It notably does not provide the State with absolute immunity, but does require that those engaging in hazardous recreational activities accept the risks associated with their actions. This bill will effectively balance State responsibilities (to maintain public trail systems and to warn of possible hazards) with the responsibilities of individuals to keep themselves safe and adequately prepared. Thus, I fully endorse this essential legislation and urge the Hawaii State Legislature to pass it into law.

Sincerely,

Eva Bosch

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Max Shaffer	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I, the undersigned Max Shaffer very strongly support the passage of SB 1007 (HD1) and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent. I support this measure because I cherish our right to freely enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains including hiking, biking, trail running, climbing, paragliding and other activities. I am concerned about the State's current absence of liability protection, which has led to ongoing closures of climbing areas, hiking trails, and other scenic sites due to the State's legitimate fear of lawsuits. I strongly believe that public lands need to remain open to the public. In comparison to other western states, Hawaii's recreational liability statutes are sorely lacking. I do not want to see access to mountain sports across the Hawaiian Islands denied or restricted due to a group of 4,000 trial attorneys. I strongly disagree with previous testimony against liability reform in Hawaii that suggests that the status quo is in the best interest of the public, or that status quo will keep us safer by holding the State liable for accidents (such as the Brem case in 2012). I am a responsible citizen who recognizes the assumed risks in engaging in recreational activities on State lands. I believe that individuals who choose to go hiking, climbing, mountain biking, paragliding, or who choose to engage in any other recreational use of public lands, should do so at their own risk. Without the passage of this bill, the State of Hawaii is left with very little protection from litigation resulting from injuries that occur on State lands. I believe the lack of liability protection is untenable, especially given the ever-growing popularity of mountain recreation to residents in Hawaii and visitors, comprising our tourist economy. This bill is an agreeable compromise. It notably does not provide the State with absolute immunity, but does require that those engaging in hazardous recreational activities accept the risks associated with their actions. This bill will effectively balance State responsibilities (to maintain public trail systems and to warn of possible hazards) with individual responsibilities. Thus, I fully endorse this essential legislation provided in SB 1007 (HD1) and urge the Hawaii State Legislature to pass it into law.

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Patrick Temming	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I, the undersigned Patrick Daniel Temming very strongly support the passage of SB 1007 (HD1) and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent. I support this measure because I cherish our right to freely enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains including hiking, biking, trail running, climbing, paragliding and other activities. I am concerned about the State's current absence of liability protection, which has led to ongoing closures of climbing areas, hiking trails, and other scenic sites due to the State's legitimate fear of lawsuits. I strongly believe that public lands need to remain open to the public. In comparison to other western states, Hawaii's recreational liability statutes are sorely lacking. I do not want to see access to mountain sports across the Hawaiian Islands denied or restricted due to a group of 4,000 trial attorneys. I strongly disagree with previous testimony against liability reform in Hawaii that suggests that the status quo is in the best interest of the public, or that status quo will keep us safer by holding the State liable for accidents (such as the Brem case in 2012). I am a responsible citizen who recognizes the assumed risks in engaging in recreational activities on State lands. I believe that individuals who choose to go hiking, climbing, mountain biking, paragliding, or who choose to engage in any other recreational use of public lands, should do so at their own risk. Without the passage of this bill, the State of Hawaii is left with very little protection from litigation resulting from injuries that occur on State lands. I believe the lack of liability protection is untenable, especially given the ever-growing popularity of mountain recreation to residents in Hawaii and visitors, comprising our tourist economy. This bill is an agreeable compromise. It notably does not provide the State with absolute immunity, but does require that those engaging in hazardous recreational activities accept the risks associated with their actions. This bill will effectively balance State responsibilities (to maintain public trail systems and to warn of possible hazards) with individual responsibilities. Thus, I fully endorse this essential legislation provided in SB 1007 (HD1) and urge the Hawaii State Legislature to pass it into law.

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I strongly support the passage of SB 1007 (SD2) and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent.

I support this measure because I value the right to freely enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains including hiking, biking, trail running, climbing, paragliding and other activities. I have hiked, climbed, and done mountain biking around the world in various countries and other states. I am amazed by the state of Hawaii's current absence of liability protection, which has led to ongoing closures of climbing areas, hiking trails, and other scenic sites due to the State's legitimate fear of lawsuits. When I meet climbers and hikers abroad they shocked and dismayed by Hawaii's decision to shut down these activities and access public lands. I strongly believe that public lands need to remain open to the public. It is patently absurd that the State should decide when, where, and how people are able to experience Hawaii's natural wonders - especially when such decisions are made largely based on liability risk assessments. It is time to take a significant step toward tort reform and shift our landowner liability paradigm toward something sensible, sustainable, and sane.

In comparison to other Western States, Hawaii's recreational liability statutes are sorely lacking. I do not want to see access to mountain sports across the Hawaiian Islands denied or restricted because the lobby for a small group of trial attorneys holds the rest of us hostage. I strongly disagree with previous testimony against liability reform in Hawaii that suggests that the

status quo is in the best interest of the public, or that the status quo will keep us safer by holding the State liable for accidents (such as the Brem case in 2012). I am a responsible citizen who recognizes the assumed risks in engaging in recreational activities on State lands. I believe that individuals who choose to go hiking, climbing, mountain biking, paragliding, or who choose to engage in any other recreational use of public lands, should do so at their own risk.

Without the passage of this bill, the State of Hawaii is left with very little protection from litigation resulting from injuries that occur on State lands. I believe the lack of liability protection is wholly untenable, especially given the ever-growing popularity of mountain recreation to residents in Hawaii and visitors comprising our tourist economy.

This bill is an agreeable compromise. It notably does not provide the State with absolute immunity, but does require that those engaging in hazardous recreational activities accept the risks associated with their actions. This bill will effectively balance State responsibilities (to maintain public trail systems and to warn of possible hazards) with the responsibilities of individuals to keep themselves safe and adequately prepared. Thus, I fully endorse this essential legislation and urge the Hawaii State Legislature to pass it into law.

Sincerely,

Kristin Kline Qureshi

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January 29, 2014 Judiciary committee 415 S Beretania St. #325 Honolulu, Hawaii

Aloha Judiciary committee,

Please pass SB1007 in order to protect the state from lawsuits brought by people enjoying the mountains on lands that are administered by the state of Hawaii. This will begin to bring us into alignment with the other Western states where the beauty and adventure of the mountains are the very reasons that people live and visit in those states. This is one small step in the much larger scope of tort reform that is needed to allow our state to be a true paradise that allows all users the chance to push their own personal limits while not holding land owners responsible when accidents happen.

By passing this law you will:

- -Protect tax payers from unnecessary legal fees and lawsuits brought by users of public lands.
- -Encourage the opening of more trails that the citizens and visitors of Hawaii demand.
- -Alert visitors and residents alike to take responsibility for themselves in the mountain environments.
- -Support the DLNR and their mission to provide access to our state lands while not making them babysit each and every trail user through over signage and closing trails.
- -End the days of people profiting from their making poor decisions and holding the land manager or administrator responsible for their own poorly thought out actions.
- -Encourage the growing tourism market that seeks to enjoy the mountains as well as the beach on vacations
- -Bring mountain areas into alignment with the protections given to beach managers. When was the last time Pipeline was shut down after someone died? Has anyone ever been sued for that death at Pipeline? no, and it should be the same way in the mountain environments.

Sincerely yours,

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\*\*David Nash\*\*

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
JOE BAKER	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I, Joe Baker, very strongly support the passage of SB 1007 (HD1) and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent. I support this measure because I cherish our right to freely enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains including hiking, biking, trail running, climbing, paragliding and other activities. I am concerned about the State's current absence of liability protection, which has led to ongoing closures of climbing areas, hiking trails, and other scenic sites due to the State's legitimate fear of lawsuits. I strongly believe that public lands need to remain open to the public. In comparison to other western states, Hawaii's recreational liability statutes are sorely lacking. I do not want to see access to mountain sports across the Hawaiian Islands denied or restricted due to a group of 4,000 trial attorneys. I strongly disagree with previous testimony against liability reform in Hawaii that suggests that the status quo is in the best interest of the public, or that status quo will keep us safer by holding the State liable for accidents (such as the Brem case in 2012). I am a responsible citizen who recognizes the assumed risks in engaging in recreational activities on State lands. I believe that individuals who choose to go hiking, climbing, mountain biking, paragliding, or who choose to engage in any other recreational use of public lands, should do so at their own risk. Without the passage of this bill, the State of Hawaii is left with very little protection from litigation resulting from injuries that occur on State lands. I believe the lack of liability protection is untenable, especially given the ever-growing popularity of mountain recreation to residents in Hawaii and visitors, comprising our tourist economy. This bill is an agreeable compromise. It notably does not provide the State with absolute immunity, but does require that those engaging in hazardous recreational activities accept the risks associated with their actions. This bill will effectively balance State responsibilities (to maintain public trail systems and to warn of possible hazards) with individual responsibilities. Thus, I fully endorse this essential legislation provided in SB 1007 (HD1) and urge the Hawaii State Legislature to pass it into law.

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Sayar	Individual	Support	Yes	

Comments: I strongly support this measure. I will supply additional feedback in-person.

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Sarah	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I, Sarah Chamberlain Hawai'i resident, the undersigned resident of Hawaii and/or possible visitor to Hawaii very strongly support the passage of SB 1007 (HD1) and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent. I support this measure because I cherish our right to freely enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains including hiking, biking, trail running, climbing, paragliding and other activities. I am concerned about the State's current absence of liability protection, which has led to ongoing closures of climbing areas, hiking trails, and other scenic sites due to the State's legitimate fear of lawsuits. I strongly believe that public lands need to remain open to the public. In comparison to other western states, Hawaii's recreational liability statutes are sorely lacking. I do not want to see access to mountain sports across the Hawaiian Islands denied or restricted due to a group of 4,000 trial attorneys. I strongly disagree with previous testimony against liability reform in Hawaii that suggests that the status quo is in the best interest of the public, or that status quo will keep us safer by holding the State liable for accidents (such as the Brem case in 2012). I am a responsible citizen who recognizes the assumed risks in engaging in recreational activities on State lands. I believe that individuals who choose to go hiking, climbing, mountain biking, paragliding, or who choose to engage in any other recreational use of public lands, should do so at their own risk. Without the passage of this bill, the State of Hawaii is left with very little protection from litigation resulting from injuries that occur on State lands. I believe the lack of liability protection is untenable, especially given the ever-growing popularity of mountain recreation to residents in Hawaii and visitors, comprising our tourist economy. This bill is an agreeable compromise. It notably does not provide the State with absolute immunity, but does require that those engaging in hazardous recreational activities accept the risks associated with their actions. This bill will effectively balance State responsibilities (to maintain public trail systems and to warn of possible hazards) with individual responsibilities. Thus, I fully endorse this essential legislation provided in SB 1007 (HD1) and urge the Hawaii State Legislature to pass it into law.

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Elliott Ashe	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I, the undersigned former resident of Hawaii very strongly support the passage of SB 1007 (HD1) and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent. I support this measure because I cherish our right to freely enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains including hiking, biking, trail running, climbing, paragliding and other activities. I am concerned about the State's current absence of liability protection, which has led to ongoing closures of climbing areas, hiking trails, and other scenic sites due to the State's legitimate fear of lawsuits. I strongly believe that public lands need to remain open to the public. In comparison to other western states, Hawaii's recreational liability statutes are sorely lacking. I do not want to see access to mountain sports across the Hawaiian Islands denied or restricted due to a group of 4,000 trial attorneys. I strongly disagree with previous testimony against liability reform in Hawaii that suggests that the status quo is in the best interest of the public, or that status quo will keep us safer by holding the State liable for accidents (such as the Brem case in 2012). I am a responsible citizen who recognizes the assumed risks in engaging in recreational activities on State lands. I believe that individuals who choose to go hiking, climbing, mountain biking, paragliding, or who choose to engage in any other recreational use of public lands, should do so at their own risk. Without the passage of this bill, the State of Hawaii is left with very little protection from litigation resulting from injuries that occur on State lands. I believe the lack of liability protection is untenable, especially given the ever-growing popularity of mountain recreation to residents in Hawaii and visitors, comprising our tourist economy. This bill is an agreeable compromise. It notably does not provide the State with absolute immunity, but does require that those engaging in hazardous recreational activities accept the risks associated with their actions. This bill will effectively balance State responsibilities (to maintain public trail systems and to warn of possible hazards) with individual responsibilities. Thus, I fully endorse this essential legislation provided in SB 1007 (HD1) and urge the Hawaii State Legislature to pass it into law.

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I, the undersigned visitor to Hawaii very strongly support the passage of SB 1007 (HD1) and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent.

I support this measure because I cherish our right to freely enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains including hiking, biking, trail running, climbing, paragliding and other activities. I am concerned about the State's current absence of liability protection, which has led to ongoing closures of climbing areas, hiking trails, and other scenic sites due to the State's legitimate fear of lawsuits. I strongly believe that public lands need to remain open to the public.

In comparison to other western states, Hawaii's recreational liability statutes are sorely lacking. I do not want to see access to mountain sports across the Hawaiian Islands denied or restricted due to a group of 4,000 trial attorneys. I strongly disagree with previous testimony against liability reform in Hawaii that suggests that the status quo is in the best interest of the public, or that status quo will keep us safer by holding the State liable for accidents (such as the Brem case in 2012). I am a responsible citizen who recognizes the assumed risks in engaging in recreational activities on State lands. I believe that individuals who choose to go hiking, climbing, mountain biking, paragliding, or who choose to engage in any other recreational use of public lands, should do so at their own risk.

Without the passage of this bill, the State of Hawaii is left with very little protection from litigation resulting from injuries that occur on State lands. I believe the lack of liability protection is untenable, especially given the ever-growing popularity of mountain recreation to residents in Hawaii and visitors, comprising our tourist economy.

This bill is an agreeable compromise. It notably does not provide the State with absolute immunity, but does require that those engaging in hazardous recreational activities accept the risks associated with their actions. This bill will effectively balance State responsibilities (to maintain public trail systems and to warn of possible hazards) with individual responsibilities. Thus, I fully endorse this essential legislation provided in SB 1007 (HD1) and urge the Hawaii State Legislature to pass it into law.

Christopher Bataille, Vancouver, BC, Canada – frequent visitor to Hawaii

#### Greetings,

I've been a frequent visitor to Hawaii and spend much time recreating on your public lands. I very strongly support the passage of SB 1007 (HD1) and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent.

I support this measure because I cherish our right to freely enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains including hiking, biking, trail running, climbing, paragliding and other activities. I am concerned about the State's current absence of liability protection, which has led to ongoing closures of climbing areas, hiking trails, and other scenic sites due to the State's legitimate fear of lawsuits. I strongly believe that public lands need to remain open to the public.

In comparison to other western states, Hawaii's recreational liability statutes are sorely lacking. I do not want to see access to mountain sports across the Hawaiian Islands denied or restricted due to a group of 4,000 trial attorneys. I strongly disagree with previous testimony against liability reform in Hawaii that suggests that the status quo is in the best interest of the public, or that status quo will keep us safer by holding the State liable for accidents (such as the Brem case in 2012). I am a responsible citizen who recognizes the assumed risks in engaging in recreational activities on State lands. I believe that individuals who choose to go hiking, climbing, mountain biking, paragliding, or who choose to engage in any other recreational use of public lands, should do so at their own risk.

Without the passage of this bill, the State of Hawaii is left with very little protection from litigation resulting from injuries that occur on State lands. I believe the lack of liability protection is untenable, especially given the ever-growing popularity of mountain recreation to residents in Hawaii and visitors, comprising our tourist economy.

This bill is an agreeable compromise. It notably does not provide the State with absolute immunity, but does require that those engaging in hazardous recreational activities accept the risks associated with their actions. This bill will effectively balance State responsibilities (to maintain public trail systems and to warn of possible hazards) with individual responsibilities. Thus, I fully endorse this essential legislation provided in SB 1007 (HD1) and urge the Hawaii State Legislature to pass it into law.

Sincerely,

Eddie Espinosa

Regional Manager - Pacific Northwest

The American Alpine Club

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Nate Flink	Individual	Support	No

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alan lord	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I, will be visiting Hawaii in May of 2014 and I very strongly support the passage of SB 1007 (HD1) and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent. I support this measure because I cherish our right to freely enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains including hiking, biking, trail running, climbing, paragliding and other activities. Outdoor recreation is a primary reason I will be visiting Hawaii with my family. I am concerned about the State's current absence of liability protection, which has led to ongoing closures of climbing areas, hiking trails, and other scenic sites due to the State's legitimate fear of lawsuits. I strongly believe that public lands need to remain open to the public. In comparison to other western states, Hawaii's recreational liability statutes are sorely lacking. I do not want to see access to mountain sports across the Hawaiian Islands denied or restricted due to a group of 4,000 trial attorneys. I strongly disagree with previous testimony against liability reform in Hawaii that suggests that the status quo is in the best interest of the public, or that status quo will keep us safer by holding the State liable for accidents (such as the Brem case in 2012). I am a responsible citizen who recognizes the assumed risks in engaging in recreational activities on State lands. I believe that individuals who choose to go hiking, climbing, mountain biking, paragliding, or who choose to engage in any other recreational use of public lands, should do so at their own risk. Without the passage of this bill, the State of Hawaii is left with very little protection from litigation resulting from injuries that occur on State lands. I believe the lack of liability protection is untenable, especially given the ever-growing popularity of mountain recreation to residents in Hawaii and visitors, comprising our tourist economy. This bill is an agreeable compromise. It notably does not provide the State with absolute immunity, but does require that those engaging in hazardous recreational activities accept the risks associated with their actions. This bill will effectively balance State responsibilities (to maintain public trail systems and to warn of possible hazards) with individual responsibilities. Thus, I fully endorse this essential legislation provided in SB 1007 (HD1) and urge the Hawaii State Legislature to pass it into law.

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Casey Zak	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I, the possible visitor to Hawaii, very strongly support the passage of SB 1007 (HD1) and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent. I support this measure because I cherish our right to freely enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains including hiking, biking, trail running, climbing, paragliding and other activities. I am concerned about the State's current absence of liability protection, which has led to ongoing closures of climbing areas, hiking trails, and other scenic sites due to the State's legitimate fear of lawsuits. I strongly believe that public lands need to remain open to the public. In comparison to other western states, Hawaii's recreational liability statutes are sorely lacking. I do not want to see access to mountain sports across the Hawaiian Islands denied or restricted due to a group of 4,000 trial attorneys. I strongly disagree with previous testimony against liability reform in Hawaii that suggests that the status quo is in the best interest of the public, or that status quo will keep us safer by holding the State liable for accidents (such as the Brem case in 2012). I am a responsible citizen who recognizes the assumed risks in engaging in recreational activities on State lands. I believe that individuals who choose to go hiking, climbing, mountain biking, paragliding, or who choose to engage in any other recreational use of public lands, should do so at their own risk. Without the passage of this bill, the State of Hawaii is left with very little protection from litigation resulting from injuries that occur on State lands. I believe the lack of liability protection is untenable, especially given the ever-growing popularity of mountain recreation to residents in Hawaii and visitors, comprising our tourist economy. This bill is an agreeable compromise. It notably does not provide the State with absolute immunity, but does require that those engaging in hazardous recreational activities accept the risks associated with their actions. This bill will effectively balance State responsibilities (to maintain public trail systems and to warn of possible hazards) with individual responsibilities. Thus, I fully endorse this essential legislation provided in SB 1007 (HD1) and urge the Hawaii State Legislature to pass it into law.

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Sam Sommers	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I, Sam Sommers, very strongly support the passage of SB 1007 (HD1) and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent. I support this measure because I cherish our right to freely enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains including hiking, biking, trail running, climbing, paragliding and other activities. I am concerned about the State's current absence of liability protection, which has led to ongoing closures of climbing areas, hiking trails, and other scenic sites due to the State's legitimate fear of lawsuits. I strongly believe that public lands need to remain open to the public. In comparison to other western states, Hawaii's recreational liability statutes are sorely lacking. I do not want to see access to mountain sports across the Hawaiian Islands denied or restricted due to a group of 4,000 trial attorneys. I strongly disagree with previous testimony against liability reform in Hawaii that suggests that the status quo is in the best interest of the public, or that status quo will keep us safer by holding the State liable for accidents (such as the Brem case in 2012). I am a responsible citizen who recognizes the assumed risks in engaging in recreational activities on State lands. I believe that individuals who choose to go hiking, climbing, mountain biking, paragliding, or who choose to engage in any other recreational use of public lands, should do so at their own risk. Without the passage of this bill, the State of Hawaii is left with very little protection from litigation resulting from injuries that occur on State lands. I believe the lack of liability protection is untenable, especially given the ever-growing popularity of mountain recreation to residents in Hawaii and visitors, comprising our tourist economy. This bill is an agreeable compromise. It notably does not provide the State with absolute immunity, but does require that those engaging in hazardous recreational activities accept the risks associated with their actions. This bill will effectively balance State responsibilities (to maintain public trail systems and to warn of possible hazards) with individual responsibilities. Thus, I fully endorse this essential legislation provided in SB 1007 (HD1) and urge the Hawaii State Legislature to pass it into law.

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Audrey Trauth	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I, the undersigned possible visitor to Hawaii very strongly support the passage of SB 1007 (HD1) and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent. I support this measure because I cherish our right to freely enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains including hiking, biking, trail running, climbing, paragliding and other activities. I am concerned about the State's current absence of liability protection, which has led to ongoing closures of climbing areas, hiking trails, and other scenic sites due to the State's legitimate fear of lawsuits. I strongly believe that public lands need to remain open to the public. In comparison to other western states. Hawaii's recreational liability statutes are sorely lacking. I do not want to see access to mountain sports across the Hawaiian Islands denied or restricted due to a group of 4,000 trial attorneys. I strongly disagree with previous testimony against liability reform in Hawaii that suggests that the status quo is in the best interest of the public, or that status quo will keep us safer by holding the State liable for accidents (such as the Brem case in 2012). I am a responsible citizen who recognizes the assumed risks in engaging in recreational activities on State lands. I believe that individuals who choose to go hiking, climbing, mountain biking, paragliding, or who choose to engage in any other recreational use of public lands, should do so at their own risk. Without the passage of this bill, the State of Hawaii is left with very little protection from litigation resulting from injuries that occur on State lands. I believe the lack of liability protection is untenable, especially given the ever-growing popularity of mountain recreation to residents in Hawaii and visitors, comprising our tourist economy. This bill is an agreeable compromise. It notably does not provide the State with absolute immunity, but does require that those engaging in hazardous recreational activities accept the risks associated with their actions. This bill will effectively balance State responsibilities (to maintain public trail systems and to warn of possible hazards) with individual responsibilities. Thus, I fully endorse this essential legislation provided in SB 1007 (HD1) and urge the Hawaii State Legislature to pass it into law.

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Preston Spratt	Individual	Support	No

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
olivia	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I, Olivia Reid very strongly support the passage of SB 1007 (HD1) and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent. I support this measure because I cherish our right to freely enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains including hiking, biking, trail running, climbing, paragliding and other activities. I am concerned about the State's current absence of liability protection, which has led to ongoing closures of climbing areas, hiking trails, and other scenic sites due to the State's legitimate fear of lawsuits. I strongly believe that public lands need to remain open to the public. In comparison to other western states, Hawaii's recreational liability statutes are sorely lacking. I do not want to see access to mountain sports across the Hawaiian Islands denied or restricted due to a group of 4,000 trial attorneys. I strongly disagree with previous testimony against liability reform in Hawaii that suggests that the status quo is in the best interest of the public, or that status quo will keep us safer by holding the State liable for accidents (such as the Brem case in 2012). I am a responsible citizen who recognizes the assumed risks in engaging in recreational activities on State lands. I believe that individuals who choose to go hiking, climbing, mountain biking, paragliding, or who choose to engage in any other recreational use of public lands, should do so at their own risk. Without the passage of this bill, the State of Hawaii is left with very little protection from litigation resulting from injuries that occur on State lands. I believe the lack of liability protection is untenable, especially given the ever-growing popularity of mountain recreation to residents in Hawaii and visitors, comprising our tourist economy. This bill is an agreeable compromise. It notably does not provide the State with absolute immunity, but does require that those engaging in hazardous recreational activities accept the risks associated with their actions. This bill will effectively balance State responsibilities (to maintain public trail systems and to warn of possible hazards) with individual responsibilities. Thus, I fully endorse this essential legislation provided in SB 1007 (HD1) and urge the Hawaii State Legislature to pass it into law.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Tanya Leinicke	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: I, a resident of Alaska but homeowner in Hawaii, very strongly support the passage of SB 1007 (HD1) and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent. I support this measure because I cherish our right to freely enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains including hiking, biking, trail running, climbing, paragliding and other activities. I am concerned about the State's current absence of liability protection, which has led to ongoing closures of climbing areas, hiking trails, and other scenic sites due to the State's legitimate fear of lawsuits. I strongly believe that public lands need to remain open to the public. In comparison to other western states, Hawaii's recreational liability statutes are sorely lacking. I do not want to see access to mountain sports across the Hawaiian Islands denied or restricted due to a group of 4,000 trial attorneys. I strongly disagree with previous testimony against liability reform in Hawaii that suggests that the status quo is in the best interest of the public, or that status quo will keep us safer by holding the State liable for accidents (such as the Brem case in 2012). I am a responsible citizen who recognizes the assumed risks in engaging in recreational activities on State lands. I believe that individuals who choose to go hiking, climbing, mountain biking, paragliding, or who choose to engage in any other recreational use of public lands, should do so at their own risk. Without the passage of this bill, the State of Hawaii is left with very little protection from litigation resulting from injuries that occur on State lands. I believe the lack of liability protection is untenable, especially given the ever-growing popularity of mountain recreation to residents in Hawaii and visitors, comprising our tourist economy. This bill is an agreeable compromise. It notably does not provide the State with absolute immunity, but does require that those engaging in hazardous recreational activities accept the risks associated with their actions. This bill will effectively balance State responsibilities (to maintain public trail systems and to warn of possible hazards) with individual responsibilities. Thus, I fully endorse this essential legislation provided in SB 1007 (HD1) and urge the Hawaii State Legislature to pass it into law. Sincerely, Tanya Leinicke, MD

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John Mixon	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: I, the visitor to Hawaii very strongly supports the passage of SB 1007 (HD1) and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent. I support this measure because I cherish our right to freely enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains including hiking, biking, trail running, climbing, paragliding and other activities. I am concerned about the State's current absence of liability protection, which has led to ongoing closures of climbing areas, hiking trails, and other scenic sites due to the State's legitimate fear of lawsuits. I strongly believe that public lands need to remain open to the public. In comparison to other western states, Hawaii's recreational liability statutes are sorely lacking. I do not want to see access to mountain sports across the Hawaiian Islands denied or restricted due to a group of 4,000 trial attorneys. I strongly disagree with previous testimony against liability reform in Hawaii that suggests that the status quo is in the best interest of the public, or that status quo will keep us safer by holding the State liable for accidents (such as the Brem case in 2012). I am a responsible citizen who recognizes the assumed risks in engaging in recreational activities on State lands. I believe that individuals who choose to go hiking, climbing, mountain biking, paragliding, or who choose to engage in any other recreational use of public lands, should do so at their own risk. Without the passage of this bill, the State of Hawaii is left with very little protection from litigation resulting from injuries that occur on State lands. I believe the lack of liability protection is untenable, especially given the ever-growing popularity of mountain recreation to residents in Hawaii and visitors, comprising our tourist economy. This bill is an agreeable compromise. It notably does not provide the State with absolute immunity, but does require that those engaging in hazardous recreational activities accept the risks associated with their actions. This bill will effectively balance State responsibilities (to maintain public trail systems and to warn of possible hazards) with individual responsibilities. Thus, I fully endorse this essential legislation provided in SB 1007 (HD1) and urge the Hawaii State Legislature to pass it into law.

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Will Mason	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I, the undersigned visitor to Hawaii very strongly support the passage of SB 1007 (HD1) and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent. I support this measure because I cherish our right to freely enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains including hiking, biking, trail running, climbing, paragliding and other activities. I am concerned about the State's current absence of liability protection, which has led to ongoing closures of climbing areas, hiking trails, and other scenic sites due to the State's legitimate fear of lawsuits. I strongly believe that public lands need to remain open to the public. In comparison to other western states, Hawaii's recreational liability statutes are sorely lacking. I do not want to see access to mountain sports across the Hawaiian Islands denied or restricted due to a group of 4,000 trial attorneys. I strongly disagree with previous testimony against liability reform in Hawaii that suggests that the status quo is in the best interest of the public, or that status quo will keep us safer by holding the State liable for accidents (such as the Brem case in 2012). I am a responsible citizen who recognizes the assumed risks in engaging in recreational activities on State lands. I believe that individuals who choose to go hiking, climbing, mountain biking, paragliding, or who choose to engage in any other recreational use of public lands, should do so at their own risk. Without the passage of this bill, the State of Hawaii is left with very little protection from litigation resulting from injuries that occur on State lands. I believe the lack of liability protection is untenable, especially given the ever-growing popularity of mountain recreation to residents in Hawaii and visitors, comprising our tourist economy. This bill is an agreeable compromise. It notably does not provide the State with absolute immunity, but does require that those engaging in hazardous recreational activities accept the risks associated with their actions. This bill will effectively balance State responsibilities (to maintain public trail systems and to warn of possible hazards) with individual responsibilities. Thus, I fully endorse this essential legislation provided in SB 1007 (HD1) and urge the Hawaii State Legislature to pass it into law.

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Brian Nixon	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: I, the undersigned possible visitor to Hawaii very strongly support the passage of SB 1007 (HD1) and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent. I support this measure because I cherish our right to freely enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains including hiking, biking, trail running, climbing, paragliding and other activities. I am concerned about the State's current absence of liability protection, which has led to ongoing closures of climbing areas, hiking trails, and other scenic sites due to the State's legitimate fear of lawsuits. I strongly believe that public lands need to remain open to the public. In comparison to other western states, Hawaii's recreational liability statutes are sorely lacking. I do not want to see access to mountain sports across the Hawaiian Islands denied or restricted due to a group of 4,000 trial attorneys. I strongly disagree with previous testimony against liability reform in Hawaii that suggests that the status quo is in the best interest of the public, or that status quo will keep us safer by holding the State liable for accidents (such as the Brem case in 2012). I am a responsible citizen who recognizes the assumed risks in engaging in recreational activities on State lands. I believe that individuals who choose to go hiking, climbing, mountain biking, paragliding, or who choose to engage in any other recreational use of public lands, should do so at their own risk. Without the passage of this bill, the State of Hawaii is left with very little protection from litigation resulting from injuries that occur on State lands. I believe the lack of liability protection is untenable, especially given the ever-growing popularity of mountain recreation to residents in Hawaii and visitors, comprising our tourist economy. This bill is an agreeable compromise. It notably does not provide the State with absolute immunity, but does require that those engaging in hazardous recreational activities accept the risks associated with their actions. This bill will effectively balance State responsibilities (to maintain public trail systems and to warn of possible hazards) with individual responsibilities. Thus, I fully endorse this essential legislation provided in SB 1007 (HD1) and urge the Hawaii State Legislature to pass it into law.

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Sara Casey	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Hi there. I'm an economic consultant and I get to do a great bit of traveling for work and for personal reasons. I'm also a rock climber. I have scheduled a trip to Hawaii for March. On this trip I'll be visiting the sites and spending money in your economy. However, if the rock climbing and outdoor recreation sites that I very much wanted to use were open I would have extended my trip and spent more time and money in your economy. Instead, I decided to spend the money I would have spent in Hawaii for climbing, guiding, accomodation, food, etc. I will be spending it in Oman where I can have an exotic climbing experience legally. So therefore, I very strongly support the passage of SB 1007 (HD1) and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent. I stand with the Access Fund to promote better liability laws and open more recreational opportunities. I support this measure because I cherish our right to freely enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains including hiking, biking, trail running, climbing, paragliding and other activities. I am concerned about the State's current absence of liability protection, which has led to ongoing closures of climbing areas, hiking trails, and other scenic sites due to the State's legitimate fear of lawsuits. I strongly believe that public lands need to remain open to the public. In comparison to other western states. Hawaii's recreational liability statutes are sorely lacking. I do not want to see access to mountain sports across the Hawaiian Islands denied or restricted due to a group of 4,000 trial attorneys. I strongly disagree with previous testimony against liability reform in Hawaii that suggests that the status quo is in the best interest of the public, or that status quo will keep us safer by holding the State liable for accidents (such as the Brem case in 2012). I am a responsible citizen who recognizes the assumed risks in engaging in recreational activities on State lands. I believe that individuals who choose to go hiking, climbing, mountain biking, paragliding, or who choose to engage in any other recreational use of public lands, should do so at their own risk. Without the passage of this bill, the State of Hawaii is left with very little protection from litigation resulting from injuries that occur on State lands. I believe the lack of liability protection is untenable, especially given the ever-growing popularity of mountain recreation to residents in Hawaii and visitors, comprising our tourist economy. This bill is an agreeable compromise. It notably does not provide the State with absolute immunity, but does require that those engaging in hazardous recreational activities accept the risks associated with their actions. This bill will effectively balance State responsibilities (to maintain public trail systems and to warn of possible hazards) with individual responsibilities. Thus, I fully endorse this essential legislation provided in SB 1007 (HD1) and urge the Hawaii State Legislature to pass it into law.

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Cleveland Wilson II	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I, the undersigned previous/future visitor to Hawaii very strongly support the passage of SB 1007 (HD1) and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent. I support this measure because I cherish our right to freely enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains including hiking, biking, trail running, climbing, paragliding and other activities. I am concerned about the State's current absence of liability protection, which has led to ongoing closures of climbing areas, hiking trails, and other scenic sites due to the State's legitimate fear of lawsuits. I strongly believe that public lands need to remain open to the public. In comparison to other western states, Hawaii's recreational liability statutes are sorely lacking. I do not want to see access to mountain sports across the Hawaiian Islands denied or restricted due to a group of 4,000 trial attorneys. I strongly disagree with previous testimony against liability reform in Hawaii that suggests that the status quo is in the best interest of the public, or that status quo will keep us safer by holding the State liable for accidents (such as the Brem case in 2012). I am a responsible citizen who recognizes the assumed risks in engaging in recreational activities on State lands. I believe that individuals who choose to go hiking, climbing, mountain biking, paragliding, or who choose to engage in any other recreational use of public lands, should do so at their own risk. Without the passage of this bill, the State of Hawaii is left with very little protection from litigation resulting from injuries that occur on State lands. I believe the lack of liability protection is untenable, especially given the ever-growing popularity of mountain recreation to residents in Hawaii and visitors, comprising our tourist economy. This bill is an agreeable compromise. It notably does not provide the State with absolute immunity, but does require that those engaging in hazardous recreational activities accept the risks associated with their actions. This bill will effectively balance State responsibilities (to maintain public trail systems and to warn of possible hazards) with individual responsibilities. Thus, I fully endorse this essential legislation provided in SB 1007 (HD1) and urge the Hawaii State Legislature to pass it into law.

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Janice Hirata	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I, a former resident of and frequent visitor to Hawaii very strongly support the passage of SB 1007 (HD1) and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent. I support this measure because I cherish our right to freely enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains including hiking, biking, trail running, climbing, paragliding and other activities. I am concerned about the State's current absence of liability protection, which has led to ongoing closures of climbing areas, hiking trails, and other scenic sites due to the State's legitimate fear of lawsuits. I strongly believe that public lands need to remain open to the public. In comparison to other western states, Hawaii's recreational liability statutes are sorely lacking. I do not want to see access to mountain sports across the Hawaiian Islands denied or restricted due to a group of 4,000 trial attorneys. I strongly disagree with previous testimony against liability reform in Hawaii that suggests that the status quo is in the best interest of the public, or that status quo will keep us safer by holding the State liable for accidents (such as the Brem case in 2012). I am a responsible citizen who recognizes the assumed risks in engaging in recreational activities on State lands. I believe that individuals who choose to go hiking, climbing, mountain biking, paragliding, or who choose to engage in any other recreational use of public lands, should do so at their own risk. Without the passage of this bill, the State of Hawaii is left with very little protection from litigation resulting from injuries that occur on State lands. I believe the lack of liability protection is untenable, especially given the ever-growing popularity of mountain recreation to residents in Hawaii and visitors, comprising our tourist economy. This bill is an agreeable compromise. It notably does not provide the State with absolute immunity, but does require that those engaging in hazardous recreational activities accept the risks associated with their actions. This bill will effectively balance State responsibilities (to maintain public trail systems and to warn of possible hazards) with individual responsibilities. Thus, I fully endorse this essential legislation provided in SB 1007 (HD1) and urge the Hawaii State Legislature to pass it into law. Thank you, Janice Hirata

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Tim Comstock	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I support this measure because I cherish our right to freely enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains including hiking, biking, trail running, climbing, paragliding and other activities. I am concerned about the State's current absence of liability protection, which has led to ongoing closures of climbing areas, hiking trails, and other scenic sites due to the State's legitimate fear of lawsuits. I strongly believe that public lands need to remain open to the public. In comparison to other western states, Hawaii's recreational liability statutes are sorely lacking. I do not want to see access to mountain sports across the Hawaiian Islands denied or restricted due to a group of 4,000 trial attorneys. I strongly disagree with previous testimony against liability reform in Hawaii that suggests that the status quo is in the best interest of the public, or that status quo will keep us safer by holding the State liable for accidents (such as the Brem case in 2012). I am a responsible citizen who recognizes the assumed risks in engaging in recreational activities on State lands. I believe that individuals who choose to go hiking, climbing, mountain biking, paragliding, or who choose to engage in any other recreational use of public lands, should do so at their own risk. Without the passage of this bill, the State of Hawaii is left with very little protection from litigation resulting from injuries that occur on State lands. I believe the lack of liability protection is untenable, especially given the ever-growing popularity of mountain recreation to residents in Hawaii and visitors, comprising our tourist economy. This bill is an agreeable compromise. It notably does not provide the State with absolute immunity, but does require that those engaging in hazardous recreational activities accept the risks associated with their actions. This bill will effectively balance State responsibilities (to maintain public trail systems and to warn of possible hazards) with individual responsibilities. Thus, I fully endorse this essential legislation provided in SB 1007 (HD1) and urge the Hawaii State Legislature to pass it into law.

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Rene Vicera Jr	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I, the undersigned resident of Hawaii and/or possible visitor to Hawaii very strongly support the passage of SB 1007 (HD1) and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent. I support this measure because I cherish our right to freely enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains including hiking, biking, trail running, climbing, canyoneering, paragliding and other activities. I am concerned about the State's current absence of liability protection, which has led to ongoing closures of climbing areas, hiking trails, and other scenic sites due to the State's legitimate fear of lawsuits. I strongly believe that public lands need to remain open to the public. In comparison to other western states, Hawaii's recreational liability statutes are sorely lacking. I do not want to see access to mountain sports across the Hawaiian Islands denied or restricted due to a group of 4,000 trial attorneys. I strongly disagree with previous testimony against liability reform in Hawaii that suggests that the status quo is in the best interest of the public, or that status quo will keep us safer by holding the State liable for accidents (such as the Brem case in 2012). I am a responsible citizen who recognizes the assumed risks in engaging in recreational activities on State lands. I believe that individuals who choose to go hiking, climbing, canyoneering, mountain biking, paragliding, or who choose to engage in any other recreational use of public lands, should do so at their own risk. Without the passage of this bill, the State of Hawaii is left with very little protection from litigation resulting from injuries that occur on State lands. I believe the lack of liability protection is untenable, especially given the ever-growing popularity of mountain recreation to residents in Hawaii and visitors, comprising our tourist economy. This bill is an agreeable compromise. It notably does not provide the State with absolute immunity, but does require that those engaging in hazardous recreational activities accept the risks associated with their actions. This bill will effectively balance State responsibilities (to maintain public trail systems and to warn of possible hazards) with individual responsibilities. Thus, I fully endorse this essential legislation provided in SB 1007 (HD1) and urge the Hawaii State Legislature to pass it into law.

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Justin Hedani	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I, the undersigned resident of Hawaii very strongly support the passage of SB 1007 (HD1) and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent. I support this measure because I cherish our right to freely enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains including hiking, biking, trail running, climbing, paragliding and other activities. I am concerned about the State's current absence of liability protection, which has led to ongoing closures of climbing areas, hiking trails, and other scenic sites due to the State's legitimate fear of lawsuits. I strongly believe that public lands need to remain open to the public. In comparison to other western states, Hawaii's recreational liability statutes are sorely lacking. I do not want to see access to mountain sports across the Hawaiian Islands denied or restricted due to a group of 4,000 trial attorneys. I strongly disagree with previous testimony against liability reform in Hawaii that suggests that the status quo is in the best interest of the public, or that status quo will keep us safer by holding the State liable for accidents (such as the Brem case in 2012). I am a responsible citizen who recognizes the assumed risks in engaging in recreational activities on State lands. I believe that individuals who choose to go hiking, climbing, mountain biking, paragliding, or who choose to engage in any other recreational use of public lands, should do so at their own risk. Without the passage of this bill, the State of Hawaii is left with very little protection from litigation resulting from injuries that occur on State lands. I believe the lack of liability protection is untenable, especially given the ever-growing popularity of mountain recreation to residents in Hawaii and visitors, comprising our tourist economy. This bill is an agreeable compromise. It notably does not provide the State with absolute immunity, but does require that those engaging in hazardous recreational activities accept the risks associated with their actions. This bill will effectively balance State responsibilities (to maintain public trail systems and to warn of possible hazards) with individual responsibilities. Thus, I fully endorse this essential legislation provided in SB 1007 (HD1) and urge the Hawaii State Legislature to pass it into law.

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I, the undersigned John Chung, very strongly support the passage of SB 1007 and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent.

I support this measure because I cherish our right to freely enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains including hiking, biking, trail running, climbing, paragliding and other activities. I am concerned about the State's current absence of liability protection, which has led to ongoing closures of climbing areas, hiking trails, and other scenic sites due to the State's legitimate fear of lawsuits. I strongly believe that public lands need to remain open to the public.

In comparison to other western states, Hawaii's recreational liability statutes are sorely lacking. I do not want to see access to mountain sports across the Hawaiian Islands denied or restricted due to a group of 4,000 trial attorneys. I strongly disagree with previous testimony against liability reform in Hawaii that suggests that the status quo is in the best interest of the public, or that status quo will keep us safer by holding the State liable for accidents (such as the Brem case in 2012). I am a responsible citizen who recognizes the assumed risks in engaging in recreational activities on State lands. I believe that individuals who choose to go hiking, climbing, mountain biking, paragliding, or who choose to engage in any other recreational use of public lands, should do so at their own risk.

Without the passage of this bill, the State of Hawaii is left with very little protection from litigation resulting from injuries that occur on State lands. I believe the lack of liability protection is untenable, especially given the ever-growing popularity of mountain recreation to residents in Hawaii and visitors, comprising our tourist economy.

This bill is an agreeable compromise. It notably does not provide the State with absolute immunity, but does require that those engaging in hazardous recreational activities accept the risks associated with their actions. This bill will effectively balance State responsibilities (to maintain public trail systems and to warn of possible hazards) with individual responsibilities. Thus, I fully endorse this essential legislation provided in SB 1007 (HD1) and urge the Hawaii State Legislature to pass it into law.

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Ken Capes	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: I am requesting that this bill be passed. It is important that the public be allowed lawful access to these lands. Recreation activities such as hiking and climbing encourage a positive, healthy lifestyle, however lawful access to the lands is critical.

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Matt Edlund	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: I, the undersigned visitor to Hawaii very strongly support the passage of SB 1007 (HD1) and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent. I support this measure because I cherish our right to freely enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains including hiking, biking, trail running, climbing, paragliding and other activities. I am concerned about the State's current absence of liability protection, which has led to ongoing closures of climbing areas, hiking trails, and other scenic sites due to the State's legitimate fear of lawsuits. I strongly believe that public lands need to remain open to the public. In comparison to other western states, Hawaii's recreational liability statutes are sorely lacking. I do not want to see access to mountain sports across the Hawaiian Islands denied or restricted due to a group of 4,000 trial attorneys. I strongly disagree with previous testimony against liability reform in Hawaii that suggests that the status quo is in the best interest of the public, or that status quo will keep us safer by holding the State liable for accidents (such as the Brem case in 2012). I am a responsible citizen who recognizes the assumed risks in engaging in recreational activities on State lands. I believe that individuals who choose to go hiking, climbing, mountain biking, paragliding, or who choose to engage in any other recreational use of public lands, should do so at their own risk. Without the passage of this bill, the State of Hawaii is left with very little protection from litigation resulting from injuries that occur on State lands. I believe the lack of liability protection is untenable, especially given the ever-growing popularity of mountain recreation to residents in Hawaii and visitors, comprising our tourist economy. This bill is an agreeable compromise. It notably does not provide the State with absolute immunity, but does require that those engaging in hazardous recreational activities accept the risks associated with their actions. This bill will effectively balance State responsibilities (to maintain public trail systems and to warn of possible hazards) with individual responsibilities. Thus, I fully endorse this essential legislation provided in SB 1007 (HD1) and urge the Hawaii State Legislature to pass it into law. I would like to further comment that one of the main reasons I chose to visit Hawaii and spend my tourism dollars there was because of the access to rock climbing on the north shore of Oahu. If access to these areas and activities is removed, then tourism revenue will surely go with it. Thank you.

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Jason Ogasian	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I, the undersigned visitor to, and future resident of Hawaii very strongly support the passage of SB 1007 (HD1) and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent. I support this measure because I cherish our right to freely enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains including hiking, biking, trail running, climbing, paragliding and other activities. I am concerned about the State's current absence of liability protection, which has led to ongoing closures of climbing areas, hiking trails, and other scenic sites due to the State's legitimate fear of lawsuits. I strongly believe that public lands need to remain open to the public. In comparison to other western states, Hawaii's recreational liability statutes are sorely lacking. I do not want to see access to mountain sports across the Hawaiian Islands denied or restricted due to a group of 4,000 trial attorneys. I strongly disagree with previous testimony against liability reform in Hawaii that suggests that the status quo is in the best interest of the public, or that status quo will keep us safer by holding the State liable for accidents (such as the Brem case in 2012). I am a responsible citizen who recognizes the assumed risks in engaging in recreational activities on State lands. I believe that individuals who choose to go hiking, climbing, mountain biking, paragliding, or who choose to engage in any other recreational use of public lands, should do so at their own risk. Without the passage of this bill, the State of Hawaii is left with very little protection from litigation resulting from injuries that occur on State lands. I believe the lack of liability protection is untenable, especially given the ever-growing popularity of mountain recreation to residents in Hawaii and visitors, comprising our tourist economy. This bill is an agreeable compromise. It notably does not provide the State with absolute immunity, but does require that those engaging in hazardous recreational activities accept the risks associated with their actions. This bill will effectively balance State responsibilities (to maintain public trail systems and to warn of possible hazards) with individual responsibilities. Thus, I fully endorse this essential legislation provided in SB 1007 (HD1) and urge the Hawaii State Legislature to pass it into law.

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Kristin Horowitz	SLO Op Climbing, non- profit climbng club	Support	No

Comments: We, the undersigned possible visitors to Hawaii, very strongly support the passage of SB 1007 (HD1) and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent. We support this measure because we cherish our right to freely enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains including hiking, biking, trail running, climbing, paragliding and other activities. I am concerned about the State's current absence of liability protection, which has led to ongoing closures of climbing areas, hiking trails, and other scenic sites due to the State's legitimate fear of lawsuits. I strongly believe that public lands need to remain open to the public. In comparison to other western states, Hawaii's recreational liability statutes are sorely lacking. I do not want to see access to mountain sports across the Hawaiian Islands denied or restricted due to a group of 4,000 trial attorneys. I strongly disagree with previous testimony against liability reform in Hawaii that suggests that the status quo is in the best interest of the public, or that status quo will keep us safer by holding the State liable for accidents (such as the Brem case in 2012). I am a responsible citizen who recognizes the assumed risks in engaging in recreational activities on State lands. I believe that individuals who choose to go hiking, climbing, mountain biking, paragliding, or who choose to engage in any other recreational use of public lands, should do so at their own risk. Without the passage of this bill, the State of Hawaii is left with very little protection from litigation resulting from injuries that occur on State lands. I believe the lack of liability protection is untenable, especially given the ever-growing popularity of mountain recreation to residents in Hawaii and visitors, comprising our tourist economy. This bill is an agreeable compromise. It notably does not provide the State with absolute immunity, but does require that those engaging in hazardous recreational activities accept the risks associated with their actions. This bill will effectively balance State responsibilities (to maintain public trail systems and to warn of possible hazards) with individual responsibilities. Thus, we fully endorse this essential legislation provided in SB 1007 (HD1) and urge the Hawaii State Legislature to pass it into law. Kristin Horowitz, Executive Director, SLO Op Climbing

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Sean Rule	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I very strongly support the passage of SB 1007 (HD1) and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent. I support this measure because I cherish our right to freely enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains including hiking, biking, trail running, climbing, paragliding and other activities. I am concerned about the State's current absence of liability protection, which has led to ongoing closures of climbing areas, hiking trails, and other scenic sites due to the State's legitimate fear of lawsuits. I strongly believe that public lands need to remain open to the public. In comparison to other western states, Hawaii's recreational liability statutes are sorely lacking. I do not want to see access to mountain sports across the Hawaiian Islands denied or restricted due to a group of 4,000 trial attorneys. I strongly disagree with previous testimony against liability reform in Hawaii that suggests that the status quo is in the best interest of the public, or that status quo will keep us safer by holding the State liable for accidents (such as the Brem case in 2012). I am a responsible citizen who recognizes the assumed risks in engaging in recreational activities on State lands. I believe that individuals who choose to go hiking, climbing, mountain biking, paragliding, or who choose to engage in any other recreational use of public lands, should do so at their own risk. Without the passage of this bill, the State of Hawaii is left with very little protection from litigation resulting from injuries that occur on State lands. I believe the lack of liability protection is untenable, especially given the ever-growing popularity of mountain recreation to residents in Hawaii and visitors, comprising our tourist economy. This bill is an agreeable compromise. It notably does not provide the State with absolute immunity, but does require that those engaging in hazardous recreational activities accept the risks associated with their actions. This bill will effectively balance State responsibilities (to maintain public trail systems and to warn of possible hazards) with individual responsibilities. Thus, I fully endorse this essential legislation provided in SB 1007 (HD1) and urge the Hawaii State Legislature to pass it into law.

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I, the undersigned possible visitor to Hawaii very strongly support the passage of SB 1007 (HD1) and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent. I support this measure because I cherish our right to freely enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains including hiking, biking, trail running, climbing, paragliding and other activities. I am concerned about the State's current absence of liability protection, which has led to ongoing closures of climbing areas, hiking trails, and other scenic sites due to the State's legitimate fear of lawsuits. I strongly believe that public lands need to remain open to the In comparison to other western states, Hawaii's recreational liability statutes are sorely lacking. I do not want to see access to mountain sports across the Hawaiian Islands denied or restricted due to a group of 4,000 trial attorneys. I strongly disagree with previous testimony against liability reform in Hawaii that suggests that the status quo is in the best interest of the public, or that status quo will keep us safer by holding the State liable for accidents (such as the Brem case in 2012). I am a responsible citizen who recognizes the assumed risks in engaging in recreational activities on State lands. I believe that individuals who choose to go hiking, climbing, mountain biking, paragliding, or who choose to engage in any other recreational use of public lands, should do so at their Without the passage of this bill, the State of Hawaii is left with own risk. very little protection from litigation resulting from injuries that occur on State lands. I believe the lack of liability protection is untenable, especially given the ever-growing popularity of mountain recreation to residents in Hawaii and visitors, comprising our tourist economy. This bill is an agreeable compromise. It notably does not provide the State with absolute immunity, but does require that those engaging in hazardous recreational activities accept the risks associated with their actions. This bill will effectively balance State responsibilities (to maintain public trail systems and to warn of possible hazards) with individual responsibilities. Thus, I fully endorse this essential legislation provided in SB 1007 (HD1) and urge the Hawaii State Legislature to pass it into law.

Oliver Abbitt

We, the undersigned residents of Hawaii and/or possible visitors to Hawaii very strongly support the passage of SB 1007 (HD1) and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent.

We support this measure because we cherish our right to freely enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains including hiking, biking, trail running, climbing, paragliding and other activities. We are baffled by the State's current absence of liability protection, which has led to ongoing closures of climbing areas, hiking trails, and other scenic sites due to the State's legitimate fear of lawsuits. We strongly believe that public lands need to remain open to the public. It is patently absurd that the State should decide when, where, and how people are able to experience Hawaii's natural wonders - especially when such decisions are made largely based on liability risk assessments. It is time to take a significant step toward tort reform and shift our landowner liability paradigm toward something sensible, sustainable, and sane.

In comparison to other Western States, Hawaii's recreational liability statutes are sorely lacking. We do not want to see access to mountain sports across the Hawaiian Islands denied or restricted because a minority group of 4,000 trial attorneys holds the rest of hostage. We strongly disagree with previous testimony against liability reform in Hawaii that suggests that the status quo is in the best interest of the public, or that status quo will keep us safer by holding the State liable for accidents (such as the Brem case in 2012). We are a responsible group of citizens who recognize the assumed risks in engaging in recreational activities on State lands. We believe that individuals who choose to go hiking, climbing, mountain biking, paragliding, or who choose to engage in any other recreational use of public lands, should do so at their own risk.

Without the passage of this bill, the State of Hawaii is left with very little protection from litigation resulting from injuries that occur on State lands. We believe the lack of liability protection is wholly untenable, especially given the ever-growing popularity of mountain recreation to residents in Hawaii and visitors comprising our tourist economy.

This bill is an agreeable compromise. It notably does not provide the State with absolute immunity, but does require that those engaging in hazardous recreational activities accept the risks associated with their actions. This bill will effectively balance State responsibilities (to maintain public trail systems and to warn of possible hazards) with the responsibilities of individuals to keep themselves safe and adequately prepared. Thus, we fully endorse this essential legislation and urge the Hawaii State Legislature to pass it into law.

Sincerely, Mathew Shimoko I, the undersigned visitor of Hawaii, very strongly support the passage of SB 1007 (HD1) and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent.

I support this measure because I cherish our right to freely enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains including hiking, biking, trail running, climbing, paragliding and other activities. I am concerned about the State's current absence of liability protection, which has led to ongoing closures of climbing areas, hiking trails, and other scenic sites due to the State's legitimate fear of lawsuits. I strongly believe that public lands need to remain open to the public.

In comparison to other western states, Hawaii's recreational liability statutes are sorely lacking. I do not want to see access to mountain sports across the Hawaiian Islands denied or restricted due to a group of 4,000 trial attorneys. I strongly disagree with previous testimony against liability reform in Hawaii that suggests that the status quo is in the best interest of the public, or that status quo will keep us safer by holding the State liable for accidents (such as the Brem case in 2012). I am a responsible citizen who recognizes the assumed risks in engaging in recreational activities on State lands. I believe that individuals who choose to go hiking, climbing, mountain biking, paragliding, or who choose to engage in any other recreational use of public lands, should do so at their own risk. This is no different than a surfer, scuba diver, snorkeler, or even an Ironman triathlete taking on the risk in any of their respective endeavors in the water.

Without the passage of this bill, the State of Hawaii is left with very little protection from litigation resulting from injuries that occur on State lands. I believe the lack of liability protection is untenable, especially given the ever-growing popularity of mountain recreation to residents in Hawaii and visitors, comprising our tourist economy. This could eventually spill into all activities in and on the water.

This bill is an agreeable compromise. It notably does not provide the State with absolute immunity, but does require that those engaging in hazardous recreational activities accept the risks associated with their actions. This bill will effectively balance State responsibilities (to maintain public trail systems and to warn of possible hazards) with individual responsibilities. Thus, I fully endorse this essential legislation provided in SB 1007 (HD1) and urge the Hawaii State Legislature to pass it into law.

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Carol Janezic	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: I support SB1007 because I cherish my right to freely and legally partake in a wide variety of recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains including hiking, biking, trail running, and climbing. I am baffled by the State's current absence of liability protection, which has led to ongoing closures of climbing areas, hiking trails, and other scenic sites due to the State's legitimate fear of lawsuits. I strongly believe that public lands need to remain open to the public. It is patently absurd that the State should decide when, where, and how people are able to experience Hawaii's natural wonders especially when such decisions are made largely based on liability risk assessments. It is time to take a significant step toward tort reform and shift our landowner liability paradigm toward something sensible, sustainable, and sane. In comparison to other Western States, Hawaii's recreational liability statutes are sorely lacking. I do not want to see access to mountain sports across the Hawaiian Islands denied or restricted because the lobby for a small group of trial attorneys holds the rest of us hostage. I strongly disagree with previous testimony against liability reform in Hawaii that suggests that the status quo is in the best interest of the public, or that the status quo will keep us safer by holding the State liable for accidents (such as the Brem case in 2012). Individuals must recognize the assumed risks of recreating on State lands. Those who choose to go hiking, climbing, mountain biking, paragliding, or who choose to engage in any other recreational use of public lands, should do so at their own risk. Without the passage of this bill, the State of Hawaii is left with very little protection from litigation resulting from injuries that occur on State lands. I believe the lack of liability protection is wholly untenable, especially given the ever-growing popularity of mountain recreation to residents in Hawaii and visitors comprising our tourist economy. This bill is an agreeable compromise. It notably does not provide the State with absolute immunity, but does require that those engaging in hazardous recreational activities accept the risks associated with their actions. This bill will effectively balance State responsibilities (to maintain public trail systems and to warn of possible hazards) with the responsibilities of individuals to keep themselves safe and adequately prepared. Thus, we fully endorse this essential legislation and urge the Hawaii State Legislature to pass it into law.

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Daniel Hohl	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: I, the undersigned resident of Hawaii and/or possible visitor to Hawaii very strongly support the passage of SB 1007 (HD1) and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent. I support this measure because I cherish our right to freely enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains including hiking, biking, trail running, climbing, paragliding and other activities. I am concerned about the State's current absence of liability protection, which has led to ongoing closures of climbing areas, hiking trails, and other scenic sites due to the State's legitimate fear of lawsuits. I strongly believe that public lands need to remain open to the public. In comparison to other western states, Hawaii's recreational liability statutes are sorely lacking. I do not want to see access to mountain sports across the Hawaiian Islands denied or restricted due to a group of 4,000 trial attorneys. I strongly disagree with previous testimony against liability reform in Hawaii that suggests that the status quo is in the best interest of the public, or that status quo will keep us safer by holding the State liable for accidents (such as the Brem case in 2012). I am a responsible citizen who recognizes the assumed risks in engaging in recreational activities on State lands. I believe that individuals who choose to go hiking, climbing, mountain biking, paragliding, or who choose to engage in any other recreational use of public lands, should do so at their Without the passage of this bill, the State of Hawaii is left with very little protection from litigation resulting from injuries that occur on State lands. I believe the lack of liability protection is untenable, especially given the ever-growing popularity of mountain recreation to residents in Hawaii and visitors, comprising our tourist This bill is an agreeable compromise. It notably does not provide the State economy. with absolute immunity, but does require that those engaging in hazardous recreational activities accept the risks associated with their actions. This bill will effectively balance State responsibilities (to maintain public trail systems and to warn of possible hazards) with individual responsibilities. Thus, I fully endorse this essential legislation provided in SB 1007 (HD1) and urge the Hawaii State Legislature to pass it into law.

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Nadia von Magdenko	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: Since the use of public lands is important to both locals and tourists alike, I support SB1007. Thank you. Nadia von Magdenko

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I, Christine S. Miyasaki, a long-time resident of Hawaii, very strongly supports the passage of SB 1007 (HD1) and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent.

Hawaii possesses boundless natural treasures and I believe that it is my right to have access to and experience most of these natural treasures. I understand that in known and documented severely hazardous areas, the state possesses the right to withhold public access to protect public safety. However, a wide variety of recreational activities imply a that an individual assume some inherent risk. I support this measure because I cherish my basic right to freely enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains including hiking, biking, trail running, climbing, paragliding and other activities. I am appalled by the State's current absence of liability protection, which has led to ongoing closures of climbing areas, hiking trails, and other scenic sites due to the State's legitimate fear of lawsuitsIt is time to take a significant step toward tort reform and shift our landowner liability paradigm toward something sensible, sustainable, and sane.

In comparison to other Western States, Hawaii's recreational liability statutes are sorely lacking. We do not want to see access to mountain sports across the Hawaiian Islands denied or restricted because the lobby for a small group of trial attorneys holds the rest of us hostage. We strongly disagree with previous testimony against liability reform in Hawaii that suggests that the status quo is in the best interest of the public, or that the status quo will keep us safer by holding the State liable for accidents (such as the Brem case in 2012). We are a responsible group of citizens who recognize the assumed risks in engaging in recreational activities on State lands. We believe that individuals who choose to go hiking, climbing, mountain biking, paragliding, or who choose to engage in any other recreational use of public lands, should do so at their own risk.

Without the passage of this bill, the State of Hawaii is left with very little protection from litigation resulting from injuries that occur on State lands. We believe the lack of liability protection is wholly untenable, especially given the ever-growing popularity of mountain recreation to residents in Hawaii and visitors comprising our tourist economy.

This bill is an agreeable compromise. It notably does not provide the State with absolute immunity, but does require that those engaging in hazardous recreational activities accept the risks associated with their actions. This bill will effectively balance State responsibilities (to maintain public trail systems and to warn of possible hazards) with the responsibilities of individuals to keep themselves safe and adequately prepared. Thus, we fully endorse this essential legislation and urge the Hawaii State Legislature to pass it into law.

Sincerely,

Christine S. Miyasaki

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Matt Westlake	Individual	Comments Only	No

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Sean Buehler	Individual	Comments Only	No

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Kate Sawford	Individual	Support	No

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Steve Lin	Individual	Support	No

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brian cork	Individual	Support	No

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Blake Merrell	Individual	Support	No

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Virginia Peterson	Individual	Support	No

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Cynthia M Biehl	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I, the undersigned owner of a timeshare property in Hawaii and visitor to Hawaii very strongly support the passage of SB 1007 (HD1) and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent. I support this measure because I cherish our right to freely enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains including hiking, biking, trail running, climbing, paragliding and other activities. I am concerned about the State's current absence of liability protection, which has led to ongoing closures of climbing areas, hiking trails, and other scenic sites due to the State's legitimate fear of lawsuits. I strongly believe that public lands need to remain open to the public. In comparison to other western states, Hawaii's recreational liability statutes are sorely lacking. I do not want to see access to mountain sports across the Hawaiian Islands denied or restricted due to a group of 4,000 trial attorneys. I strongly disagree with previous testimony against liability reform in Hawaii that suggests that the status quo is in the best interest of the public, or that status quo will keep us safer by holding the State liable for accidents (such as the Brem case in 2012). I am a responsible citizen who recognizes the assumed risks in engaging in recreational activities on State lands. I believe that individuals who choose to go hiking, climbing, mountain biking, paragliding, or who choose to engage in any other recreational use of public lands, should do so at their own risk. Without the passage of this bill, the State of Hawaii is left with very little protection from litigation resulting from injuries that occur on State lands. I believe the lack of liability protection is untenable, especially given the ever-growing popularity of mountain recreation to residents in Hawaii and visitors, comprising our tourist economy. This bill is an agreeable compromise. It notably does not provide the State with absolute immunity, but does require that those engaging in hazardous recreational activities accept the risks associated with their actions. This bill will effectively balance State responsibilities (to maintain public trail systems and to warn of possible hazards) with individual responsibilities. Thus, I fully endorse this essential legislation provided in SB 1007 (HD1) and urge the Hawaii State Legislature to pass it into law. Thank you for your consideration, Cynthia M. Biehl 1/28/20014

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Buster Jesik	Individual	Support	No	ì

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Donald Anderson	Individual	Support	No

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Paul Baker	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I, Paul Baker, very strongly support the passage of SB 1007 (HD1) and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent. I support this measure because I cherish our right to freely enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains including hiking, biking, trail running, climbing, paragliding and other activities. I am concerned about the State's current absence of liability protection, which has led to ongoing closures of climbing areas, hiking trails, and other scenic sites due to the State's legitimate fear of lawsuits. I strongly believe that public lands need to remain open to the public. In comparison to other western states, Hawaii's recreational liability statutes are sorely lacking. I do not want to see access to mountain sports across the Hawaiian Islands denied or restricted due to a group of 4,000 trial attorneys. I strongly disagree with previous testimony against liability reform in Hawaii that suggests that the status quo is in the best interest of the public, or that status quo will keep us safer by holding the State liable for accidents (such as the Brem case in 2012). I am a responsible citizen who recognizes the assumed risks in engaging in recreational activities on State lands. I believe that individuals who choose to go hiking, climbing, mountain biking, paragliding, or who choose to engage in any other recreational use of public lands, should do so at their own risk. Without the passage of this bill, the State of Hawaii is left with very little protection from litigation resulting from injuries that occur on State lands. I believe the lack of liability protection is untenable, especially given the ever-growing popularity of mountain recreation to residents in Hawaii and visitors, comprising our tourist economy. This bill is an agreeable compromise. It notably does not provide the State with absolute immunity, but does require that those engaging in hazardous recreational activities accept the risks associated with their actions. This bill will effectively balance State responsibilities (to maintain public trail systems and to warn of possible hazards) with individual responsibilities. Thus, I fully endorse this essential legislation provided in SB 1007 (HD1) and urge the Hawaii State Legislature to pass it into law.

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Adam Lee	Individual	Support	No

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#### WRITTEN TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF SB1007

#### KENNETH MCKELL HONOLULU, HI

I would like to inform the Judiciary Committee of my support for SB1007. As a resident of Makiki and an avid outdoorsperson, it is my opinion that the State should not be liable for accidents that occur on State land where manmade improvements have been made by people other than the State. With the addition of signage, as provided for in this bill, informing the casual outdoorsperson of the potential dangers when that are known to the State, I feel that this represents a fair balance between the State caring for its residents and visitors and people in general acting with common sense and caution.

Thank you for considering SB1007. I urge you to pass it out of committee.

Date: 29 January 2014.

To: Senate Judiciary Committee

From: Eric Phillips, individual rock climber

Hearing: January 30, 2014, 2:00 PM Conference Room 325

RE: SB1007

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William Kennelly

From: Rob Turan, Nationally-Recognized Rock Climbing Ranger

To State of Hawaii House of Representatives, Representative Karl Rhoads, Chair, House Committee on Judiciary

Dear Representative Rhoads and Members of the Committee:

My name is Rob Turan and I would like to submit testimony in support of SB1007 HD1 PROPOSED which would update outdoor recreation (including rock climbing) liability protection for the State of Hawaii. I have been a National Park Service law enforcement Park Ranger and the Climbing Park Ranger for 30 years at National Parks including Grand Canyon, New River Gorge, Obed Wild and Scenic River, and Sunset Rock, Lookout Mountain, Tennessee. As the primary staff person dealing with all aspects of climbing management at these National Parks, from policy, anchor replacement, resource impact and mitigation, and search and rescue, my overall experience is without peer. In addition I have been an active rock climber since 1978. I helped institute the very first anchor replacement initiative to occur within federally managed land and this in turn set precedence for all other climbing parks to do the same to preserve rim ecosystems. I am the National Park Service's rock climbing rescue lead instructor. There are very few people who have more experience and expertise with rock climbing and crag management than I do and I provide this testimony on that basis.

I visited the North Shore of Oahu the spring of 2012, specifically to rock climb at the Mokuleia Crag, an incredible basalt/volcanic cliff that I had heard so much about from friends in the climbing community and in various magazine articles. I also bouldered at two other ocean-front areas on State land and these were spectacular also. In particular, I would like to point out that everything about the Mokuleia rock climbing crag, from the hike in, to the quality and texture of the smooth basalt, to the unique and safe top roping system, is of a world-class nature. I absolutely loved climbing at Mokuleia. I was very impressed that a cache was on site with safety equipment including a litter, helmets, rope and so forth. I have never seen such dedication placed into an area, nor such thorough attention to safety and on-site preparedness for a carry out operation in the event of an injury. The effort the Hawaii climbers have made to be safe is unparalleled in my extensive experience. In addition, the very well-maintained bolts and "string system" the local climbers have developed at the Mokuleia crag enables ropes, for top-roping, to be put into place from the ground, without any of the environmental damage and rockfall risk that often occurs along the top of climbing cliffs. Because of this system, climbers at the Mokuleia wall don't have to access the fragile environments

above the solid basalt crag. The Mokuleia crag's rock quality, measures for safety, thoroughness of maintenance, and attention to ensuring adverse impacts to the environment are avoided are, in my professional opinion, world class. The Mokuleia Crag's safety record is superior – 20+ years with only one serious injury (which resulted in the Crag's closure almost two years ago) is excellent. I notice a group of Hawaii personal injury lawyers has been working to oppose the various measures in bill and while I sympathize with their concern that passage of this bill into law could, some far day in the future, result in one of them foregoing a payout from the State's funds, I hope that you will rule in favor of the State and the public good by ensuring this bill passes into law.

In addition to the objective safety of this crag and the objective need the State has for updated liability law, the subjective is also worth mentioning here: the ocean scenery when on a rope on the Mokuleia crag is breathtaking. There is no cliff anywhere in the world that offers the combination of view and quality of the rock climbing the Mokuleia Crag offers. I most heartedly endorse preserving The Mokuleia Crag as a world class climbing destination. Please update Hawaii law to enable DLNR to reopen the Mokuleia crag open so that climbers from across the planet can enjoy the best of Hawaii as I did.

Thank you and please contact me if I can answer any questions or provide additional information.

Rob Turan rob\_turan@nps.gov

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Donwolf Konecny	Individual	Support	No

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Sincerely, Michael Walker

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
megan	Individual	Support	No

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Daniel Langdon	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I, Daniel Allen Langdon, strongly support SB1007. Although no longer a resident of Hawaii, I am a graduate of the University of Hawaii, and spent about five years of my life there. I have been involved in rock climbing for about twelve years now. I have enjoyed hiking and climbing at numerous places around Hawaii. It is heart-breaking to me to have to hear that not only was one of my favorite climbing spots the site of a tragic accident, but that the aftermath of the accident involved closing public lands to the public. Not only that, but I've heard talk that other public lands may also be closed to the public in the future. This is not what I want for my former home state and for my friends and associates who call Hawaii home. I support this bill because I understand that it will mitigate the state's liability so that Hawaiians and visitors alike can enjoy public lands without concern for lawsuits; the lands that have been closed can be reopened and future closures prevented. It also brings to mind the question, "Do we want to live in a place where everything is permitted unless specifically prohibited, or do we want to live in a place where everything is prohibited unless specifically permitted?" I, for one, do not want every single thing I do to be regulated by the government.

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Tanner Wixom	Individual	Support	No

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Erick Valler	Individual	Support	No

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Sincerely, Lynette Williams 44-126 Kauinohea Place Kaneohe, HI 96744 We, the undersigned residents of Hawaii and/or possible visitors to Hawaii very strongly support the passage of SB 1007 (HD1) and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent.

Hawaii's natural resources are a wealth of richness for experiencing the environment. I have worked as a conservation biologist in Hawaii for the last 6 years and I have watched the natural environment continue to degrade. It is a terrifying reality that if our current rate of degradation continues we will lose much of what makes Hawaii special, mainly our natural resources. In order for people to value these resources they must build passion for it through experience. Some of the most low impact ways to experience these natural wonders are through outdoor sports and ecotourism.

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Sincerely, Matt Stelmach

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Mark	Individual	Comments Only	No

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Sincerely, Jen Mui

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Jaime Casal	Individual	Comments Only	No

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Peter Beutler	Individual	Support	No

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# <u>SB1007</u>

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Madeline C Neely	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Aloha, Chairman Karl Rhoads House Judiciary Committee I am in support of the passage of SB1007. This is a practical, logical and common sense legislative measure for related liabilities of outdoor activities. It seems similar in comparison to related liabilities of ocean activities of individuals.

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Sincerely,

Yoshio Akaha, Tony Ramos, & Leialoha Kamaunu 575 Hahaione St. D202 Honolulu, HI 96825

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Paul Kemp	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I strongly support the passage of SB 1007 (HD1) and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent. I support this measure because I believe Hawaii residents have a right to enjoy a recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains including hiking, biking, trail running, climbing, paragliding and other activities. The key issue appears to be an absence of liability protection, which has led to ongoing closures of climbing areas, hiking trails, and other scenic sites due to the State's legitimate fear of lawsuits. I firmly believe public lands must remain open to the public. It is time to take this step toward reform. Hawaii's recreational liability statutes are sorely lacking. I strongly disagree with previous testimony against liability reform in Hawaii that suggests that the status quo is in the best interest of the public, or that the status quo will keep us safer by holding the State liable for accidents. I am a responsible citizen who recognizes the assumed risks in engaging in recreational activities on State lands. I believe that individuals who choose to go hiking, climbing, mountain biking, paragliding, or who choose to engage in any other recreational use of public lands, should do so at their own risk. Without the passage of this bill, the State of Hawaii is left with very little protection from litigation resulting from injuries that occur on State lands. The lack of liability protection is wholly untenable, especially given the ever-growing popularity of mountain recreation to residents in Hawaiiand visitors comprising our tourist economy. This bill is an agreeable compromise. It does not provide the State with absolute immunity, but does require that those engaging in hazardous recreational activities accept the risks associated with their actions. This bill will effectively balance State responsibilities (to maintain public trail systems and to warn of possible hazards) with the responsibilities of individuals to keep themselves safe and adequately prepared. Thus, I fully endorse this essential legislation and urge the Hawaii State Legislature to pass it into law. Sincerely, Paul Kemp

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christina rambo	Individual	Support	No

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To:

Hawaii State Legislature

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In comparison to other Western States, Hawaii's recreational liability statutes are sorely lacking. We do not want to see access to mountain sports across the Hawaiian Islands denied or restricted because the lobby for a small group of trial attorneys holds the rest of us hostage. We strongly disagree with previous testimony against liability reform in Hawaii that suggests that the status quo is in the best interest of the public, or that the status quo will keep us safer by holding the State liable for accidents (such as the Brem case in 2012). We are a responsible group of citizens who recognize the assumed risks in engaging in recreational activities on State lands. We believe that individuals who choose to go hiking, climbing, mountain biking, paragliding, hanggliding, or who choose to engage in any other recreational use of public lands, should do so at their own risk.

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Sincerely, Randall Eneim 137 Alea Pl. Pukalani, HI 96768

I, the undersigned visitor to Hawaii very strongly support the passage of SB 1007 (HD1) and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent.

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In comparison to other western states, Hawaii's recreational liability statutes are sorely lacking. I do not want to see access to mountain sports across the Hawaiian Islands denied or restricted due to a group of 4,000 trial attorneys. I strongly disagree with previous testimony against liability reform in Hawaii that suggests that the status quo is in the best interest of the public, or that status quo will keep us safer by holding the State liable for accidents (such as the Brem case in 2012). I am a responsible citizen who recognizes the assumed risks in engaging in recreational activities on State lands. I believe that individuals who choose to go hiking, climbing, mountain biking, paragliding, or who choose to engage in any other recreational use of public lands, should do so at their own risk.

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Melecio Estrella

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christie Brandt	Individual	Support	No

#### Comments:

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Michael P Ryan	Individual	Support	No

Comments: As a climber who has visisted Hawaii, I very strongly support the passage of SB 1007 (HD1) and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent. I support this measure because I cherish our right to freely enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains including hiking, biking, trail running, climbing, paragliding and other activities. I am concerned about the State's current absence of liability protection, which has led to ongoing closures of climbing areas, hiking trails, and other scenic sites due to the State's legitimate fear of lawsuits. I strongly believe that public lands need to remain open to the public. In comparison to other western states, Hawaii's recreational liability statutes are sorely lacking. I do not want to see access to mountain sports across the Hawaiian Islands denied or restricted due to a group of 4,000 trial attorneys. I strongly disagree with previous testimony against liability reform in Hawaii that suggests that the status quo is in the best interest of the public, or that status quo will keep us safer by holding the State liable for accidents (such as the Brem case in 2012). I am a responsible citizen who recognizes the assumed risks in engaging in recreational activities on State lands. I believe that individuals who choose to go hiking, climbing, mountain biking, paragliding, or who choose to engage in any other recreational use of public lands, should do so at their own risk. Without the passage of this bill, the State of Hawaii is left with very little protection from litigation resulting from injuries that occur on State lands. I believe the lack of liability protection is untenable, especially given the ever-growing popularity of mountain recreation to residents in Hawaii and visitors, comprising our tourist economy. This bill is an agreeable compromise. It notably does not provide the State with absolute immunity, but does require that those engaging in hazardous recreational activities accept the risks associated with their actions. This bill will effectively balance State responsibilities (to maintain public trail systems and to warn of possible hazards) with individual responsibilities. Thus, I fully endorse this essential legislation provided in SB 1007 (HD1) and urge the Hawaii State Legislature to pass it into law.

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Elizabeth Barney	Individual	Support	No

Comments: To Whom it May Concern: We, the undersigned residents of Hawaii and/or possible visitors to Hawaii very strongly support the passage of SB 1007 (HD1) and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent. We support this measure because we cherish our right to freely enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains including hiking, biking, trail running, climbing, paragliding and other activities. We are baffled by the State's current absence of liability protection, which has led to ongoing closures of climbing areas, hiking trails, and other scenic sites due to the State's legitimate fear of lawsuits. We strongly believe that public lands need to remain open to the public. It is patently absurd that the State should decide when, where, and how people are able to experience Hawaii's natural wonders - especially when such decisions are made largely based on liability risk assessments. It is time to take a significant step toward tort reform and shift our landowner liability paradigm toward something sensible, sustainable, and sane. In comparison to other Western States, Hawaii's recreational liability statutes are sorely lacking. We do not want to see access to mountain sports across the Hawaiian Islands denied or restricted because the lobby for a small group of trial attorneys holds the rest of us hostage. We strongly disagree with previous testimony against liability reform in Hawaii that suggests that the status quo is in the best interest of the public, or that the status quo will keep us safer by holding the State liable for accidents (such as the Brem case in 2012). We are a responsible group of citizens who recognize the assumed risks in engaging in recreational activities on State lands. We believe that individuals who choose to go hiking, climbing, mountain biking, paragliding, or who choose to engage in any other recreational use of public lands, should do so at their own risk. Without the passage of this bill, the State of Hawaii is left with very little protection from litigation resulting from injuries that occur on State lands. We believe the lack of liability protection is wholly untenable, especially given the ever-growing popularity of mountain recreation to residents in Hawaii and visitors comprising our tourist economy. This bill is an agreeable compromise. It notably does not provide the State with absolute immunity, but does require that those engaging in hazardous recreational activities accept the risks associated with their actions. This bill will effectively balance State responsibilities (to maintain public trail systems and to warn of possible hazards) with the responsibilities of individuals to keep themselves safe and adequately prepared. Thus, we fully endorse this essential legislation and urge the Hawaii State Legislature to pass it into law. Sincerely, Elizabeth Barney

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Bryce Gosney	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I, Bryce Gosney, resident of Makiki and avid rock climber, very strongly support the passage of SB 1007 (HD1) and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent. I support this measure because I love my state of Hawaii and I love to explore the many outdoor activities the state has to offer. One important part of this array of outdoor activities is rock climbing. It is a great way to get a little altitude and view the mountain sprawling beneath you into the ocean. The primary sport people think about in Hawaii is surfing, and other sports are often forgotten. Surfing and climbing have a lot in common. You must relax and rely on your body to work with what nature provides you in order to succeed. However, surfing is encouraged and rock climbing is currently illegal on state lands. I believe that the liability issues of recreationon state lands in this bill should be made law because it is important for residents to be able to enjoy state lands. As a young person in Hawaii that enjoys the outdoors, there are not that many options for outdoor recreation. The breaks are cloqued by surfers and are not beginner friendly, there are only a few areas to ride a mountain bike (and many of these are on state lands as well), and kite boarding is prohibitively expensive. It is hard as a non-surfing young person to find things to do. Rock climbing is a great way to enjoy the outdoors. Although it comes with inherent risks, I as a climber take responsibility for these risks just as I assume responsibility for the risks for any sport. If I cannot climb in Hawaii, recreation in Hawaii is guite sparse for a non-surfer. This bill is an agreeable compromise. It notably does not provide the State with absolute immunity, but does require that those engaging in hazardous recreational activities accept the risks associated with their actions. This bill will effectively balance State responsibilities (to maintain public trail systems and to warn of possible hazards) with individual responsibilities. Thus, I fully endorse this essential legislation provided in SB 1007 (HD1) and urge the Hawaii State Legislature to pass it into law.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Ruaraidh Stenson	Individual	Support	No

Comments: As regular visitors to Hawaii, we very strongly support the passage of SB 1007 (HD1) and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent. We support this measure because we cherish our right to freely enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains including hiking, biking, trail running, climbing, paragliding and other activities. We are baffled by the State's current absence of liability protection, which has led to ongoing closures of climbing areas, hiking trails, and other scenic sites due to the State's legitimate fear of lawsuits. We strongly believe that public lands need to remain open to the public. It is patently absurd that the State should decide when, where, and how people are able to experience Hawaii's natural wonders especially when such decisions are made largely based on liability risk assessments. It is time to take a significant step toward tort reform and shift our landowner liability paradigm toward something sensible, sustainable, and sane. In comparison to other western states, Hawaii's recreational liability statutes are sorely lacking. We do not want to see access to mountain sports across the Hawaiian Islands denied or restricted because a minority group of 4,000 trial attorneys holds the rest of us hostage. We strongly disagree with previous testimony against liability reform in Hawaii that suggests that the status quo is in the best interest of the public, or that the status quo will keep us safer by holding the State liable for accidents (such as the Brem case in 2012). We are a responsible group of citizens who recognize the assumed risks in engaging in recreational activities on State lands. We believe that individuals who choose to go hiking, climbing, mountain biking, paragliding, or who choose to engage in any other recreational use of public lands, should do so at their own risk. Without the passage of this bill, the State of Hawaii is left with very little protection from litigation resulting from injuries that occur on State lands. We believe the lack of liability protection is wholly untenable, especially given the ever-growing popularity of mountain recreation to residents in Hawaii and visitors comprising our tourist economy. This bill is an agreeable compromise. It notably does not provide the State with absolute immunity, but does require that those engaging in hazardous recreational activities accept the risks associated with their actions. This bill will effectively balance State responsibilities (to maintain public trail systems and to warn of possible hazards) with the responsibilities of individuals to keep themselves safe and adequately prepared. Thus, we fully endorse this essential legislation and urge the Hawaii State Legislature to pass it into law. Sincerely Ruaraidh Stenson

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Stephen Orr	Individual	Support	No	]

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Kevin Wagner	Individual	Comments Only	No

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Andrew McClure	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I, Andrew McClure, possible visitor to Hawaii, very strongly support the passage of SB 1007 (HD1) and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent. I support this measure because I cherish our right to freely enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains including hiking, biking, trail running, climbing, paragliding and other activities. I am concerned about the State's current absence of liability protection, which has led to ongoing closures of climbing areas, hiking trails, and other scenic sites due to the State's legitimate fear of lawsuits. I strongly believe that public lands need to remain open to the public. In comparison to other western states, Hawaii's recreational liability statutes are sorely lacking. I do not want to see access to mountain sports across the Hawaiian Islands denied or restricted due to a group of 4,000 trial attorneys. I strongly disagree with previous testimony against liability reform in Hawaii that suggests that the status quo is in the best interest of the public, or that status quo will keep us safer by holding the State liable for accidents (such as the Brem case in 2012). I am a responsible citizen who recognizes the assumed risks in engaging in recreational activities on State lands. I believe that individuals who choose to go hiking, climbing, mountain biking, paragliding, or who choose to engage in any other recreational use of public lands, should do so at their own risk. Without the passage of this bill, the State of Hawaii is left with very little protection from litigation resulting from injuries that occur on State lands. I believe the lack of liability protection is untenable, especially given the ever-growing popularity of mountain recreation to residents in Hawaii and visitors, comprising our tourist economy. This bill is an agreeable compromise. It notably does not provide the State with absolute immunity, but does require that those engaging in hazardous recreational activities accept the risks associated with their actions. This bill will effectively balance State responsibilities (to maintain public trail systems and to warn of possible hazards) with individual responsibilities. Thus, I fully endorse this essential legislation provided in SB 1007 (HD1) and urge the Hawaii State Legislature to pass it into law.

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Neil Baunsgard	Individual	Support	No

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fraser macdonald	Individual	Comments Only	No

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Jason Halladay	Individual	Support	No

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Craig Thornley	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I, a frequent visitor to Hawaii and resident of California, very strongly support the passage of SB 1007 (HD1) and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent. I support this measure because I cherish our right to freely enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains including hiking, biking, trail running, climbing, paragliding and other activities. I am concerned about the State's current absence of liability protection, which has led to ongoing closures of climbing areas, hiking trails, and other scenic sites due to the State's legitimate fear of lawsuits. I strongly believe that public lands need to remain open to the public. In comparison to other western states, Hawaii's recreational liability statutes are sorely lacking. I do not want to see access to mountain sports across the Hawaiian Islands denied or restricted due to a group of 4,000 trial attorneys. I strongly disagree with previous testimony against liability reform in Hawaii that suggests that the status quo is in the best interest of the public, or that status quo will keep us safer by holding the State liable for accidents (such as the Brem case in 2012). I am a responsible citizen who recognizes the assumed risks in engaging in recreational activities on State lands. I believe that individuals who choose to go hiking, climbing, mountain biking, paragliding, or who choose to engage in any other recreational use of public lands, should do so at their own risk. Without the passage of this bill, the State of Hawaii is left with very little protection from litigation resulting from injuries that occur on State lands. I believe the lack of liability protection is untenable, especially given the ever-growing popularity of mountain recreation to residents in Hawaii and visitors, comprising our tourist economy. This bill is an agreeable compromise. It notably does not provide the State with absolute immunity, but does require that those engaging in hazardous recreational activities accept the risks associated with their actions. This bill will effectively balance State responsibilities (to maintain public trail systems and to warn of possible hazards) with individual responsibilities. Thus, I fully endorse this essential legislation provided in SB 1007 (HD1) and urge the Hawaii State Legislature to pass it into law.

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Steve Smith	Individual	Support	No

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Dana Caracciolo	Individual	Support	No

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Chris Lynch	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I am a past visitor and planned future visitor to Hawaii and I very strongly support the passage of SB 1007 (HD1) and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent. I support this measure because I have enjoyed and want my children to enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains including hiking, biking, trail running, and climbing. I am concerned about the State's current absence of liability protection, which has led to ongoing closures of climbing areas, hiking trails, and other scenic sites due to the State's legitimate fear of lawsuits. I strongly believe that public lands need to remain open to public recreation. In comparison to other western states, Hawaii's recreational liability statutes are sorely lacking. I do not want to see access to mountain sports across the Hawaiian Islands denied or restricted. I strongly disagree with previous testimony against liability reform in Hawaii that suggests that the status quo is in the best interest of the public, or that status quo will keep us safer by holding the State liable for accidents (such as the Brem case in 2012). I am a responsible citizen who recognizes the assumed risks in engaging in recreational activities on State lands. I believe that individuals who choose to go hiking, climbing, mountain biking, paragliding, or who choose to engage in any other recreational use of public lands, should do so at their own risk. Without the passage of this bill, the State of Hawaii is left with very little protection from litigation resulting from injuries that occur on State lands. I believe the lack of liability protection is untenable, especially given the ever-growing popularity of mountain recreation to residents in Hawaii and visitors. This bill is an agreeable compromise. It notably does not provide the State with absolute immunity, but does require that those engaging in hazardous recreational activities accept the risks associated with their actions. This bill will effectively balance State responsibilities (to maintain public trail systems and to warn of possible hazards) with individual responsibilities. Thus, I fully endorse this essential legislation provided in SB 1007 (HD1) and urge the Hawaii State Legislature to pass it into law. Chris Lynch

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Brian Zielinski	Individual	Comments Only	No

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In comparison to other western states, Hawaii's recreational liability statutes are sorely lacking. I do not want to see access to mountain sports across the Hawaiian Islands denied or restricted due to a group of 4,000 trial attorneys. I strongly disagree with previous testimony against liability reform in Hawaii that suggests that the status quo is in the best interest of the public, or that status quo will keep us safer by holding the State liable for accidents (such as the Brem case in 2012). I am a responsible citizen who recognizes the assumed risks in engaging in recreational activities on State lands. I believe that individuals who choose to go hiking, climbing, mountain biking, paragliding, or who choose to engage in any other recreational use of public lands, should do so at their own risk.

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christopher beauchamp	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I, Christopher Beauchamp a possible visitor to Hawaii very strongly support the passage of SB 1007 (HD1) and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent. I support this measure because I cherish our right to freely enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains including hiking, biking, trail running, climbing, paragliding and other activities. I am concerned about the State's current absence of liability protection, which has led to ongoing closures of climbing areas, hiking trails, and other scenic sites due to the State's legitimate fear of lawsuits. I strongly believe that public lands need to remain open to the public. In comparison to other western states, Hawaii's recreational liability statutes are sorely lacking. I do not want to see access to mountain sports across the Hawaiian Islands denied or restricted due to a group of 4,000 trial attorneys. I strongly disagree with previous testimony against liability reform in Hawaii that suggests that the status quo is in the best interest of the public, or that status quo will keep us safer by holding the State liable for accidents (such as the Brem case in 2012). I am a responsible citizen who recognizes the assumed risks in engaging in recreational activities on State lands. I believe that

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Joel Spaltenstein	Individual	Support	No

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Joshua Schultz	Individual	Support	No

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Jesse Firestone	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I would likely never visit Hawaii again unless it was for climbing. I strongly support the passage of SB 1007 and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent.

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tim kranz	Individual	Comments Only	No

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Tara Steinmetz	Individual	Support	No

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Andrew Brownlow	Individual	Comments Only	No

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Savannah Buik	Access Fund	Support	No	

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Adam Floyd	Las Vegas Climbers Liaison Council	Support	No	

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John Hamm	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I, the undersigned, a visitor to Hawaii, very strongly support the passage of SB 1007 (HD1) and any provisions that will make this legislation permanent. I support this measure because I cherish our right to freely enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities in Hawaii's mountains including hiking, biking, trail running, climbing, paragliding and other activities. I am concerned about the State's current absence of liability protection, which has led to ongoing closures of climbing areas, hiking trails, and other scenic sites due to the State's legitimate fear of lawsuits. I strongly believe that public lands need to remain open to the public. In comparison to other western states, Hawaii's recreational liability statutes are sorely lacking. I do not want to see access to mountain sports across the Hawaiian Islands denied or restricted due to a group of 4,000 trial attorneys. I strongly disagree with previous testimony against liability reform in Hawaii that suggests that the status quo is in the best interest of the public, or that status quo will keep us safer by holding the State liable for accidents (such as the Brem case in 2012). I am a responsible citizen who recognizes the assumed risks in engaging in recreational activities on State lands. I believe that individuals who choose to go hiking, climbing, mountain biking, paragliding, or who choose to engage in any other recreational use of public lands, should do so at their own risk. Without the passage of this bill, the State of Hawaii is left with very little protection from litigation resulting from injuries that occur on State lands. I believe the lack of liability protection is untenable, especially given the ever-growing popularity of mountain recreation to residents in Hawaii and visitors, comprising our tourist economy. This bill is an agreeable compromise. It notably does not provide the State with absolute immunity, but does require that those engaging in hazardous recreational activities accept the risks associated with their actions. This bill will effectively balance State responsibilities (to maintain public trail systems and to warn of possible hazards) with individual responsibilities. Thus, I fully endorse this essential legislation provided in SB 1007 (HD1) and urge the Hawaii State Legislature to pass it into law. Respectfully, John Hamm Berkeley, California

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Benjamin Gardner	Individual	Support	No

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