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February 11, 2019

The Honorable Clarence Nishihara, Chair Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs The State Senate State Capitol, Room 214 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chair Nishihara:

Subject: Senate Bill (SB) 152 Relating to Fireworks Labeling

I am Manuel P. Neves, Chair of the Hawaii State Fire Council (SFC) and Fire Chief of the Honolulu Fire Department (HFD). The SFC and the HFD support SB 152, which proposes to correct the labeling dimensions for display fireworks, articles pyrotechnic, or aerial devices in the Hawaii Revised Statutes, Section 132D-16.5.

Current language in the statute incorrectly specifies, "The label shall measure at least nine inches by nine inches." The proposed amendment specifies, "The label shall measure at least nine square inches."

Public safety and property protection are priorities for the HFD's approval of fireworks permits. The SFC and the HFD urge your committee's support on the passage of SB 152.

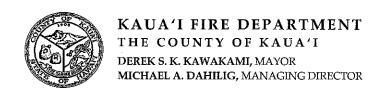
Should you have questions, please contact SFC Administrative Specialist Lloyd Rogers at 723-7176 or lrogers@honolulu.gov.

Sincerely,

MANUEL P. NEVES

Chair

MPN/LR:clc



February 8, 2019

The Honorable Clarence K. Nishihara, Chair Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs State Capitol, Room 214 Honolulu, HI 96813

Aloha Chair Nishihara:

Subject: Senate Bill (SB) 152 Relating-to Fireworks Labeling (Companion Bill HB 499)

I am Kilipaki Vaughan, Deputy Fire Chief of the Kauai Fire Department (KFD). The KFD supports SB 152, which proposes to correct the labeling dimensions for display fireworks, articles pyrotechnic, or aerial devices in the Hawaii Revised Statutes Section 132D-16.5.

Current language in the statute incorrectly specifies, "The label shall measure at least nine inches by nine inches." The proposed amendment specifies, "The label shall measure at least nine square inches."

Public safety and property protection are priorities for the KFD's approval of fireworks permits. The KFD urge your committee's support on the passage of SB 152.

Should you have questions, please contact me at (808) 241-4980 or via email at kvaughan@kauai.gov

Ke aloha nui,

Kilipaki Vaughan Deputy Fire Chief

Kauai Fire Department, County of Kauai

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February 7, 2019

Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs Hawaii State Senate State Capitol, Conference Room 229 Honolulu, HI 96813

Re: Senate Bill 152, Relating to Fireworks Labeling

Dear Chair Nishihara and members of the committee,

As a licensed professional fireworks display company, we would like to express our support for Senate Bill 152, Relating to Fireworks Labeling.

It is our impression that section 16.5 of HRS 132D was originally intended to adopt the language in the National Fire Protection Agency's document 1123, Code for Fireworks Displays. Section 4.1.3 of that code provides recommendations for labeling of fireworks shells. Subsection 4.1.3.2.4 specifically states "*The* [device] *label shall be at least 9 in.*² (5810 mm²), unless the size of the shell is too small, in which case the label shall be permitted to be reduced to a size no smaller than necessary." Furthermore, a label with 9 inch by 9 inch dimensions will not fit on the surface of the vast majority of fireworks devices used in our industry. We therefore encourage the Legislature to modify the language to allow the statute to conform with the above-referenced industry standard code.

Thank you for your careful consideration of this measure. We would be happy to answer any questions you may have related to this issue.

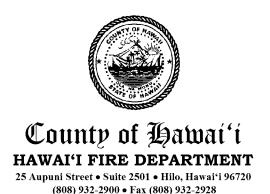
Sincerely,

Bruce Albrecht

Operations Manager

Hawaii Explosives & Pyrotechnics, Inc.

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Darren J. Rosario
Fire Chief

Lance S. Uchida

Deputy Fire Chief



February 11, 2019

The Honorable Clarence Nishihara, Chair Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs The State Senate State Capitol, Room 224 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear Chair Nishihara:

Subject: S.B. 152, RELATING TO FIREWORKS LABELING

Hearing Date: Tuesday, February 12, 2019

Time/Place of Hearing: 1:15 p.m., Conference Room 229

I am Darren J. Rosario, Member of the Hawai'i State Fire Council (SFC) and Fire Chief of the Hawai'i Fire Department of the County of Hawai'i (HCFD). The SFC and the HCFD support SB 152, which proposes to correct the labeling dimensions for display fireworks, articles pyrotechnic, or aerial devices in the Hawai'i Revised Statutes Section 132D-16.5.

The current statute contains language that should be corrected. The current language in the statute incorrectly specifies, "The label shall measure at least nine inches by nine inches." The proposed amendment specifies, "The label shall measure at least nine square inches." This amended language is the correct verbiage intended.

Public safety and property protection are priorities for the HFD's approval of fireworks permits. The SFC and the HCFD urge your committee's support on the passage of SB 152.

Please do not hesitate to call me at 932-2901 or <u>darren.rosario@hawaiicounty.gov</u> should you have any questions. Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in support of SB 152.

Respectfully,

DARREN J. ROSARIO

Fire Chief





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February 11, 2019

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The Honorable Clarence Nishihara, Chair Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs The State Senate State Capitol, Room 214 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chair Nishihara:

Subject: Senate Bill (SB) 152 Relating to Fireworks Labeling

I am David C. Thyne, member of the Hawaii State Fire Council (SFC) and Fire Chief of the Maui Fire Department (MFD). The SFC and the MFD support SB 152, which proposes to correct the labeling dimensions for display fireworks, articles pyrotechnic, or aerial devices in the Hawaii Revised Statutes, Section 132D-16.5.

Current language in the statute incorrectly specifies, "The label shall measure at least nine inches by nine inches." The proposed amendment specifies, "The label shall measure at least nine square inches."

Public safety and property protection are priorities for the MFD's approval of fireworks permits. The SFC and the MFD urge your committee's support on the passage of SB 152.

Should you have questions, please contact SFC Administrative Specialist Lloyd Rogers at (808) 723-7176 or lrogers@honolulu.gov.

Sincerely,

DAVID C. THYNE

Fire Chief

DCT/LR:clc

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Andrea Quinn	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Dear Honorable Committee Members:

Please support SB152. Correcting labeling issues on fireworks will help improve public safety.

Thank you for the opportunity to present my testimony.

Andrea Quinn

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