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WRITTEN TESTIMONY ONLY

Testimony COMMENTING on H.B. 1903 RELATING TO DATA ABOUT SNORKELS AND MASKS

REPRESENTATIVE MARK M. NAKASHIMA, CHAIR HOUSE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY & HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS Hearing Date: 2-8-2022 2pm Room Number: 325/VideoConf

Fiscal Implications: Funding estimated at \$100,000 would be needed for the Department of
 Health to implement this measure including, medical records system changes, training and data
 analysis and reporting.

4 Department Testimony: The Department of Health supports the intent of H.B. 1903 that
5 requires first responders to record in the incident report for each water rescue event the type of
6 snorkel and mask, if any, worn by the person who was rescued or recovered. The Department is
7 providing comments in regard to emergency medical services only.

Every year an average of 66 Hawaii residents and visitors experience snorkel related drowning 8 events, including 20 which are ultimately fatal. Data is not systematically collected on the 9 circumstances of the event or type of snorkel. Understanding snorkel use can lead to better 10 public health messaging and improvements in snorkel design. The Department of Health 11 recently installed a Department of Transportation compliant NEMSIS 3.4 pre-hospital medical 12 record system statewide. Although the system meets all state and federal requirements, the 13 system has no data entry fields for collection of snorkel information nor does any other 14 commercially marketed medical record system. In order to collect, study and report the 15 16 information proscribed in this bill, changes need to be made to the existing pre-hospital medical record system. Systematic data collection is needed. Three components are required: 1) the 17 addition of snorkel specific data fields, 2) training for field personnel, and 3) reports 18 summarizing the newly collected data. The data fields would include (to name a few) snorkel 19

- 1 type, circumstances of the event, and familiarity with use of snorkel equipment. To fulfill the
- 2 intent of this bill, funding would need to be appropriated for the project.
- 3 Although the bill mandates this data collection, the department does not recommend a mandatory
- 4 requirement. Providing the paramedic and emergency medical technicians a convenient way to
- 5 document in the pre-hospital medical record is the preferred way.
- 6 Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.

February 06, 2022

The Maui News 100 Mahalani Street Wailuku, Hawaii 96793-2529

Dear Editor,

On December 14, 2021 a 53 y.o. California man was pronounced dead after being pulled from the ocean fronting Kaanapali Shores Place. Locals are well aware of a strong rip current there that snares unsuspecting visitors to Maui. The same day a 62 y.o. Wisconsin man was last seen snorkeling with a full face mask in Makena. His body was never recovered. My sincere condolences to the family and friends grieving yet another loss of life ever so common in Hawaii, more so in Maui County, where three out of four ocean drownings involve tourists. Year after year the ocean drowning numbers continue to climb despite collaborative efforts by ocean safety officials to increase meaningful prevention and education inititives:

10 Year Period	Hawaii Average	Maui County Average
2005-2014	57 per year	12.5 per year
2006-2015	58 per year	14 per year
2007-2016	65 per year	17 per year
2008-2017	68 per year	18 per year
2009-2018	71 per year	19 per year
2010-2019	75 per year	20 per year

These numbers **DO NOT** include other drownings that occurred in rivers, streams, ponds, pools, and bathtubs. To address this growing trend and preventable loss of life, in 2010 the Department of Health (DOH), Emergency Management Services and Injury Prevention Branch (EMSIPB), authored the Hawaii Injury Prevention Plan 2012-2017. This document gave birth to the Drowning and Aquatic Injury Prevention Advisory Committee (DAIPAC) which is comprised of ocean safety stakeholders in both public and private organizations. The Snorkel Safety Subcommittee emerged in response to the overwhelming data which shows snorkeling as the #1 activity associated with drowning.

Preliminary studies conducted by the Snorkel Safety Subcommittee were necessitated after professional independent laboratories declined requests to test snorkel equipment. Reputable labs such as Underwriters Laboratories, Consumer Product Safety Commission, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH), and Consumer Reports have the staff, equipment, and knowledge to fairly evaluate snorkel equipment. Possible theories or probable explanations as to why victims drown while snorkeling include: hypoxia induced Rapid Onset Pulmonary Edema (ROPE), snorkel resistance, horizontal immersion, pre-existing medical conditions such as Left Ventricle End Diastolic Pressure (LVEDP), rebreathing of exhaled air, valve malfunction, overexertion, mask design flaw, swimming inability, lack of snorkeling experience, adverse ocean conditions, orinasal seal leak, dead air space, inability to remove mask quickly, and/or recent air travel.

There is no conclusive evidence as to why victims, mainly tourists, drown while snorkeling in Hawaii's oceans. More witness and nonfatal drowning victim interviews are needed to compile meaningful data. Without data, all you have is an opinion which brings me to my next point. Was the snorkel equipment used an underlying or contributing factor that lead to drowning??? When a weapon is allegedly used in a murder, the weapon is preserved as evidence. When a vehicle is involved in a deadly motor vehicle crash, the vehicles Event Data Recorder (EDR) is subpoenaed to determine speed, seatbelt, brake, and accelerator use just prior to crash. Similarly, SCUBA equipment is analyzed for malfunction following fatal underwater tragedies. Until authorities can prove or disprove snorkel equipment was not an underlying or contributing factor in a fatal or nonfatal ocean drowning, 911 Emergency Medical Responders (paramedics, firefighters, lifeguards, and police) must preserve this vital piece of evidence (data) for further evaluation and dissemination by DOH EMSIPB, DAIPAC, or via autopsy records. At the very least, brands and models of snorkel equipment most frequently involved in incidents may emerge. Currently, this is not being done and important and potentially trending data is not being captured.

On Tuesday February 08, 2022 at 1400 hrs., a hearing is scheduled for HB 1903 (David Loasby Law) to address issues with data collection relative to aquatic emergencies and snorkel equipment used, if any. The companion bill in the senate is SB 3206. Likewise, if you witnessed or had a nonfatal drowning experience while snorkeling or swimming, please fill out the survey at <u>www.SnorkelSafetyStudy.com</u>. You can also email questions to <u>SnorkelSafetyStudy@gmail.com</u>.

Thank you, Colin Yamamoto Wailuku

Submitted on: 2/4/2022 7:17:13 PM Testimony for JHA on 2/8/2022 2:00:00 PM

_	Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Remote Testimony Requested
	Debbie Wyand	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

This is a huge waste of time and money to put forth bill for more government regulations. Why? This nonsense bill it is not the job of our government to require more paperwork. What difference does it make what kind of mask and snorkel people are using? Why spend money on this? You were elected to work on things that matter to the people of Hawaii, like limiting the governor and the mayor's tyrannical never ending emergency powers. What have you done Tina Wilderbeg, to help the people of Maui open their businesses after two years of ridiculous mandates? How have you helped children go to school in person and how have you put forth an effort to stop these illegal mandates. The State of Hawaii is killing its small businesses. Get to work on real issues! Balance our budget. Save our State. Don't vote for bills that are meaningless to the people of Hawaii. Get real. Stop messing around.

Submitted on: 2/5/2022 6:30:04 AM Testimony for JHA on 2/8/2022 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Remote Testimony Requested
Jeff Becker	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Rep. Nakashima:

I would like to ask for the committees's full support and approval of HB1903. I have personally lost a close friend due to the specific issue involved and ask that the committee and full House support this to help prevent further tragedies such as this from occurring.

Respectfully yours -

Jeff Becker

Submitted on: 2/5/2022 7:39:07 AM Testimony for JHA on 2/8/2022 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	bmitted By Organization		Remote Testimony Requested
Catherine Loasby	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Please pass this bill.... My husband suffocated using a full face snorkel mask. DATA COLLECTED on types of masks used is critical to determine causes of death.

Submitted on: 2/5/2022 8:11:48 AM Testimony for JHA on 2/8/2022 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Remote Testimony Requested
Jim Stockman	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Jim Stockman

Submitted on: 2/5/2022 4:32:07 PM Testimony for JHA on 2/8/2022 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Remote Testimony Requested
Harold Becker	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Rep. Nakashima:

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Respectfully yours -

Harold Becker

Submitted on: 2/6/2022 2:30:54 PM Testimony for JHA on 2/8/2022 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Remote Testimony Requested
Andrea Loasby	Individual	Support	Yes

Comments:

Representative Mark M. Nakashima

Representative Scot Z. Matayoshi

Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs

House Bill 1903

DATE: Tuesday, February 8, 2022 TIME: 2:00 p.m.

IN SUPPORT OF HB1903

I am testifying in favor of HB1903. This bill was introduced in honor of my dad, David Loasby, who died due to using a full-face snorkel mask at Chang's Beach in Maui this last December. During the search for my father, every first responder I communicated with mentioned significant concerns about full-face snorkel masks and explained that they've been seeing an increase in drownings for those using full-face snorkel masks throughout the last several years. Once the search for my father concluded, I wanted to know how many people have died while using full-face snorkel masks versus standard snorkels and masks in Hawaii but was told this data is not currently collected in a meaningful way or available for analysis.

Collecting this data is crucial to analyzing and responding to the risk related to specific snorkeling equipment.

Please vote to pass this bill including the funding necessary for data collection so data-driven change can be taken to avoid other families from experiencing the pain mine and many others unfortunately have.

Thank you,

Andrea Loasby

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Submitted on: 2/6/2022 2:52:47 PM Testimony for JHA on 2/8/2022 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By Organization		Testifier Position	Remote Testimony Requested
Sue Peterson	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Representative Scot Z. Matayoshi

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Please vote in favor of HB1903 and funding for updates to the Hawaii Department of Health's system to allow for snorkeling equipment data collection and analysis.

Sue Peterson

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Daniel G Egan dgegan@new.rr.com Representative Mark M. Nakashima

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Remote Testimony Requested
Kimberly Burger	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Kimberly Burger

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Submitted on: 2/6/2022 4:43:44 PM Testimony for JHA on 2/8/2022 2:00:00 PM

 Submitted By Organization		Testifier Position	Remote Testimony Requested
Sharon Dunham	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I have been to Hawaii twice and snorkeled there. Safety information on conditions ,equipment etc, in my opinion we're difficult to find. Tourists unfamiliar with all of this are at risk without proper information. It would be great to know the state of Hawaii has safety a priority and of utmost importance for both tourists and locals. My husband and I had no idea how dangerous full face snorkel masks were until after the death of our friend Dave Loasby, we did some research and we're shocked to find out how dangerous they are!! Please consider passing the law to ban their use and save lives in the future thank you.

Submitted on: 2/6/2022 5:02:49 PM Testimony for JHA on 2/8/2022 2:00:00 PM

Submitte	Submitted By Organization		Testifier Position	Remote Testimony Requested
Jeff Tes	ke In	dividual	Support	No

Comments:

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Submitted on: 2/6/2022 5:08:00 PM Testimony for JHA on 2/8/2022 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Submitted By Organization		Remote Testimony Requested
Mathew Speer	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Hello Representative Mark M. Nakashima, Representative Scot Z. Matayoshi, and Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs

IN SUPPORT OF HB1903

I, Mathew Speer, testify in favor of HB1903. After being personally affected by the tragic death of my father-in-law I strongly feel it is imperative to have data on snorkeling equipment for incidents related to rescues and recoveries including deaths and those who are never recovered. Without this information it is impossible for the Hawaii Dept. of Health to assess the risk of equipment, such as full-face snorkel masks versus standard masks and snorkels, or take action on the presumptive risks. While I understand this will not change the past I believe this is Hawaii's opportunity to lead the way in ocean safety.

Please vote in favor of HB1903 and funding for updates to the Hawaii Department of Health's system to allow for snorkeling equipment data collection and analysis.

Kind regards,

Mathew Speer

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Remote Testimony Requested
Kaitlyn P Jacobs	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Fully support this measure, thank you!

Representative Mark M. Nakashima

Representative Scot Z. Matayoshi

Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs

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IN SUPPORT OF HB1903

Aloha, to whom may be reading, I am testifying in favor of HB1903. I am the son of David Loasby, a recent victim in a snorkeling incident caused by the faulty manufacturing design of the "full-face" snorkeling mask, specifically manufactured under the "Body Glove" branding. It is imperative to have data on snorkeling equipment for incidents related to rescues and recoveries including deaths and those who are never recovered. Without this information it is impossible for the Hawaii Dept. of Health to assess the risk of equipment, such as full-face snorkel masks versus standard masks and snorkels, or take action on the presumptive risks. Unfortunately, we cannot hold big corporations or these manufacturing companies accountable without such legislation you have sitting in front of yourselves. Because of this systematic process, you might be hearing from more victim's families such as myself because many more people are going to HAVE TO DIE before anyone can be held "accountable" for these fluke snorkel masks on the consumer market.

Please vote in favor of HB1903 and funding for updates to the Hawaii Department of Health's system to allow for snorkeling equipment data collection and analysis.

Sincerely,

Eric Loasby

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Representative Mark M. Nakashima

Representative Scot Z. Matayoshi

Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs

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Submitted on: 2/7/2022 3:42:18 AM Testimony for JHA on 2/8/2022 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Remote Testimony Requested
Michael Molezzi	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Rep. Nakashima,

I would like to ask for the committee's full support and approval of HB1903. I have personally lost a close friend due to the specific issue involving full face snorkeling masks and ask that the committee and full House support this to help prevent further tragedies such as this from occurring.

Respectfully yours,

Michael Molezzi

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Submitted on: 2/7/2022 4:09:46 AM Testimony for JHA on 2/8/2022 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Remote Testimony Requested
Robert Clark	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Robert E Clark

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Susan Michalewski Susan9002@aol.com

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Cathy Janssen	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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William Manuel	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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IN SUPPORT OF HB1903

I am testifying in favor of HB1903. The State of Hawaii has experienced an unnecessary amount of water related deaths due to drowning. Many of these incidents were people who were visiting Hawaii with limited experience in snorkeling in Hawaii waters. Snorkeling in Hawaii has challenges unique to environmental and ocean conditions. Many snorkelers are inexperienced and have never been in an ocean setting with constant movement, current, tidal changes and an abundant amount of marine life foreign to the snorkeler.

Most of the drownings are not investigated beyond the beach. There are no forensic data collected based on victim's experience prior to drowning, physical fitness, type of equipment, personal protective equipment, depth of water, water temperature, if there was a high tide, low tide, a rip current, water visibility at the time, if victims were assisted by a fellow snorkeler.

Investigations fall short on data when the obvious death is due to drowning. We immediately rule out possible scenarios and contributing causes. This collection of data is valuable information to address a trend of increasing number of drownings due to certain types of snorkeling gear. The Hawaii State Department of Health, Department of Land and Natural

Resources, and various Water Safety agencies will able to make risk assessments and develop drowning prevention protocol. With this data we may begin to address root causes of death and prevent visitor drowning .

The visitor industry does not publicize deaths due to drowning. The various visitor organizations boast on the number of visitors that arrive in Hawaii, how much money they spend, how long they stay and what attractions are most visited. We do NOT advertise the dark side of visiting our Hawaii archipelago with the misfortunes of the number of deaths due to drowning. We do not do enough to promote water safety.

Please vote in favor of HB1903 and funding for updates to the Hawaii Department of Health's system to allow for snorkeling equipment data collection and analysis.

William K. Manuel

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Submitted on: 2/7/2022 4:54:30 AM Testimony for JHA on 2/8/2022 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Remote Testimony Requested
Michael Speer	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Please vote in favor of HB1903 and funding for updates to the Hawaii Department of Health's system to allow for snorkeling equipment data collection and analysis.

Michael W. Speer

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Submitted on: 2/7/2022 5:25:43 AM Testimony for JHA on 2/8/2022 2:00:00 PM

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Steve Van Domelen	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Respectfully Submitted,

Steve Van Domelen

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Submitted on: 2/7/2022 5:38:24 AM Testimony for JHA on 2/8/2022 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Remote Testimony Requested
Elizabeth Jackson	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Submitted on: 2/7/2022 5:48:16 AM Testimony for JHA on 2/8/2022 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Remote Testimony Requested
JESSICA L HAMMOND	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Jessica Hammond

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Submitted on: 2/7/2022 6:15:02 AM Testimony for JHA on 2/8/2022 2:00:00 PM

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Whitney Jackson	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Remote Testimony Requested
Mark Peterson	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Being a lifelong resident of the Midwest, I've only had the pleasure of snorkeling in Hawaii twice in my life. But the life of my high school classmate, David Loasby, turned out differently. He was an avid traveler and very familiar with snorkeling. The idea that he lost his life that way is mind boggling.

IN SUPPORT OF HB1903

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Please vote in favor of HB1903 and funding for updates to the Hawaii Department of Health's system to allow for snorkeling equipment data collection and analysis.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Mark Peterson

Submitted on: 2/7/2022 6:49:29 AM Testimony for JHA on 2/8/2022 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Remote Testimony Requested
Kelley Duehring	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Douglas N Duehring	Individual	Support	No

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Audrey Selnick	Individual	Support	No

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Thank You,

Ashly Sheild

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Katheryn Mansell	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Katheryn Mansell, niece of David Loasby

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Patrick Wasserman	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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I am testifying in favor of HB1903. I am deeply saddened by the necessity to testify on this issue because David Loasby was a friend of mine who recently drowned wearing a full face mask. In the hope of preventing more tragedies of this kind as happened David and his surviving family, it is imperative to have data on snorkeling equipment for incidents related to rescues and recoveries including deaths and those who are never recovered. Without this information it is impossible for the Hawaii Dept. of Health to assess the risk of equipment, such as full-face snorkel masks versus standard masks and snorkels, or take action on the presumptive risks.

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	Tyler Vitello	Individual	Support	No

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Tyler Vitello

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Thomas L. Powers, PhD Professor University of Alabama at Birmingham tpowers@uab.edu

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Jennifer Moore	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Please vote in favor of HB1903 and funding for updates to the Hawaii Department of Health's system to allow for snorkeling equipment data collection and analysis.

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Michelle R. Millward	Individual	Support	No

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Michelle R. Millward

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Marcela Molezzi	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Dear Representative Nakashima,

I would like to ask for the committee's full support and approval of HB1903. A close friend of our family was lost at sea due to the snorkel mask safety issue addressed in the bill. I ask that the committee and all House members support and pass this measure to prevent further tragedies like this from occurring.

Respectfully,

Marcela Molezzi

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Theodore	Meyer	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Theodore Meyer

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Jane Speer	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Jane Speer,

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Robert Speer	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Robert Speer

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Brenda I	Biese	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Brenda Biese

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Keely Speer	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Keely Speer

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Jessica	Varsek	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Sincerely, Jessica Varsek

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Jill Speer

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Ryan Miller

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Representative Mark M. Nakashima Representative Scot Z. Matayoshi Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs

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IN SUPPORT OF HB 1903

My name is Julie Urbon. I strongly support HB1903 which would require first responders to document what type of snorkel equipment is used during rescue and recovery incidents. It is my understanding that this information is not currently collected in a consistent or standardized manner which cripples the Dept. of Health's understanding of the true risks of full-face snorkel masks.

This bill was introduced in honor of David Loasby, who died while using a full-face snorkel mask in December 2021. I was there with his family just before the incident occurred. I see daily the pain this has caused his family.....Not just that Dave lost his life, but the added anger and hurt in that it very well could have been prevented. Since the tragedy, I have done digging and found, through studies on these masks, that carbon monoxide can build up and can render the user unconscious. But apparently no one is willing to definitively say that there is a direct link to increased drowning? I think it is safe to say that going unconscious while in the water will increases your risk of drowning. This seems like such a basic request.... when a snorkeler dies, document what type of equipment the victim was using. A study can only go so far. The studies show that there are concerns. Once the product is on the market, any "additional data" is unfortunately gathered after the fact. We cannot let this valuable information go uncollected.

Many tourists who come to the islands only snorkel a few times a year and don't know a great deal about the differences in the types of masks that are sold. Many times, the rented condos have snorkeling equipment available for use, so if a warning were on the original packaging.... It would do no good. There are snorkel tours on Maui that ban those masks on their boats. Why would they do that if they didn't see the connection? They are the ones most familiar with the equipment. If THEY are nervous about the masks... we should all take notice and listen. And yet the masks are sold widely. Had we gone on a snorkeling tour, we might have heard about the risk through the tour operator, but instead we snorkeled at the beach near our accommodations. A beautiful vacation turned into a horrific nightmare because "not enough information is there to conclude those masks are dangerous"? Then we need to collect the information! It is simply one more question for first responders to ask or determine if possible. In a car accident, isn't it documented whether the passengers were wearing seat belts? It harms no one to collect this information. I think it sends a horrible message if the state is unwilling to take a simple step to be more thorough in the investigations into these drownings to safeguard the tourists that are such a part of the local economy. I appreciate your time. Imagine it was a member of your family....

Mahalo,

Julie Urbon / julieurbon@gmail.com

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Brenda Vanden Heuvel	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Maurice Hopkins	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Maurice Hopkins

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Ralph S. Goto 44-547 Kaneohe Bay Drive Kaneohe, Hawaii 96744



February 7, 2022

Chair Nakashima, Vice Chair Matsuyoshi, And Members Committee on Judiciary and Hawaiian Affairs House of Representatives The Thirty First Legislature Regular Session of 2022

Re: HB 1903 Relating to Data About Snorkels and Masks

My name is Ralph Goto, I have been involved with the snorkel safety issue in Hawaii for the past decade, as the Ocean Safety Director (retired) for the City and County of Honolulu, a member of the Board of Directors of the Hawaiian Lifeguard Association, and as the chair of the Snorkel Safety Subcommittee of the Department of Health's Drowning and Aquatic Injury Prevention Advisory Committee (DAIPAC).

I am submitting this testimony as a concerned citizen and not as an official spokesperson for the abovementioned organizations. I believe that my experience and involvement in the prevention of snorkel related incidents in the ocean waters surrounding our island state has qualified me to make the following observations:

- 1. In order to address the problem of snorkeling related incidents and fatalities, public health and injury prevention strategies must be applied to the issue.
- 2. This includes collecting accurate data and information to define the severity, nature, and scope of the problem.
- 3. Only after thorough epidemiological analysis of existing data, (resident v. visitor, age, activity, etc.) can effective prevention strategies be developed.
- 4. As referenced in the language of this bill, a Snorkel Safety Study was conducted from 2017-2021, administered by the Hawaiian Lifeguard Association and funded by the Hawaii Tourism Authority, because of the overwhelming number of snorkel incidents involving visitors to Hawaii.
- 5. Although many areas of concern (types of snorkel equipment, pre-existing medical conditions, environmental factors, inexperience, etc.) were addressed, the study offered no evidence-based conclusions, and recommended further research and data collection be conducted.

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HB 1903 attempts to mandate the identification of snorkel equipment by first responders in their respective incident reports. I agree with the need for more inclusive and accurate data collection to address the problem, however, I do not feel that requiring rescuers to comply with this mandate is the most effective way to proceed.

Voluntary compliance by first responder personnel to collect this information is, in my opinion, a preferred method of data collection. Current EMS, Fire, Police and Lifeguard Incident Reports could be amended to include this information without legislative mandate.

I applaud the efforts to address the prevention of snorkel related incidents involving visitors to and residents of the State of Hawaii, and believe that educated, voluntary compliance will result in meaningful data collection.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Sincerely,

Ralph S. Goto

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Sarah Speer	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Sarah Speer

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Scott Grabowski

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Nathan Hesser	Individual	Support	No

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Nathan R. Hesser

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<u>HB-1903</u>

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Remote Testimony Requested
Brittany Reyes	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Teresa Reyes	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Teresa Reyes

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Submitted on: 2/7/2022 6:32:45 PM Testimony for JHA on 2/8/2022 2:00:00 PM



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Megan Wasserman	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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alexa biese	Individual	Support	No

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ann marie walker	Individual	Support	No

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Mahalo,

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<u>HB-1903</u>

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Judith Michaels	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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This bill will save lives.

Mahalo,

Judith Michaels

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<u>HB-1903</u>

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Emilee Kaminski	Individual	Support	No

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Va	lyssa Holschbach	Individual	Support	No

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Jeffrey Paul Verhoeven	Individual	Support	No

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<u>HB-1903</u>

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	Luke Holschbach	Individual	Support	No

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Chris Nagel	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Chris Nagel canagel@wisc.edu

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Hanna Hollmeyer	Individual	Support	No

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James P Verhoeven	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I am in favor of HB 1903

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	Paul Gomez	Individual	Support	No

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