

SB-2126

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Testimony for JDC on 2/25/2022 9:45:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Remote Testimony Requested
Tyler, Kahului	Testifying for Quieter & Healthier Maui	Support	No

Comments:

Aloha,

Thank you for considering SB2126, which we strongly urge to be passed for the health and quality of life of Hawaii residents. Studies increasingly detail the environmental health hazard posed by persistent noise pollution, with *intentional* and excessive loud vehicles a growing and pervasive cause in our State. Current fines are too low to provide much of a deterrent and are failing to make a dent in the growing problem. While we believe the proposed increased fines are still low, especially given that many perpetrators spend hundreds if not thousands of dollars on illegal vehicle modifications, it is a step in the right direction.

Maui residents recently formed a group, with a particular focus on reducing vehicle noise. In addition to taking a toll on mental and physical health, these excessively loud vehicles are often correlated with reckless fast driving and higher exhaust pollution from their modified mufflers. Adequate fines should be part of the solution, although it will need to be combined with consistent law enforcement and proper vehicle safety inspections, both which have been woefully lacking.

For more info, please refer to:

- [Hundreds of Maui residents](#) who have signed and commented on our [petition](http://bit.ly/sign-noise-petition) (http://bit.ly/sign-noise-petition) addressing this problem
- Our [letter and white paper](#)

Mahalo!



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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Remote Testimony Requested
John Bickel	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I live in Waikiki where muffler noise is a daily problem. This might help.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Remote Testimony Requested
Samuel Mitchell	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support SB2126 Because Hawaii needs to increase the fine for loud mufflers from \$100 to \$500.

Samuel Mitchell Member Makiki NB-10

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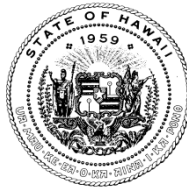
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John & Rita Shockley	Testifying for FREE ACCESS COALITION	Support	No

Comments:

Aloha!

As much as the Free Access Coalition supports access...we need to control avoidable irritating sounds that disturbs the peace as the islands become more crowded. This bill deserves consideration and passage. Something for all of us to enjoy--quiet.



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**S.B. 2126
RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION**

Senate Committee on Judiciary

The Department of Transportation (DOT) **supports** S.B. 2126, which increases the minimum and potential maximum fine for violating certain provisions relating to the installation of a noisy muffler.

The DOT has received numerous calls and e-mails from residents impacted by the noisy aftermarket mufflers. We support any attempts to reduce the exhaust noise problem.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.