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## WRITTEN TESTIMONY ONLY

TESTIMONY ON SENATE BILL 2923 RELATING TO FIREWORKS. by Max N. Otani, Director

Senate Committee on Judiciary Senator Karl Rhoads, Chair Senator Jarrett Keohokalole, Vice Chair

Thursday, February 10, 2022; 9:30 a.m. State Capitol, Via Video Conference

Chair Rhoads, Vice Chair Keohokalole, and Members of the Committees:

The Department of Public Safety (PSD) supports Senate Bill (SB) 2923, which increases the maximum fines from \$2,000 to \$5,000, that may be assessed against certain fireworks-related violations.

PSD supports measures that stem from the use of illegal fireworks in the State of Hawaii. Increasing the monetary fines under SB 2923 from a minimum fine of \$500 to \$2,000; and maximum fine from \$2,000 to \$5,000 will act as a further deterrent for individuals to use illegal fireworks.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this testimony.

<u>SB-2923</u> Submitted on: 2/4/2022 7:14:39 PM Testimony for JDC on 2/10/2022 9:30:00 AM

| Submitted By  | Organization | Testifier Position | Remote Testimony<br>Requested |
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| lynne matusow | Individual   | Support            | No                            |

Comments:

anything that will help get fireworks under control, especially the illegal ones, is welcome.

## <u>SB-2923</u> Submitted on: 2/4/2022 9:13:15 PM Testimony for JDC on 2/10/2022 9:30:00 AM

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| Gerard Silva | Individual   | Oppose                    | No                            |

Comments:

This is Tradition in Hawaii that goes back over 100 years. The people tell you what they want and you do that or you are gone!!