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Builders, Blacksmiths, THE NURTURE ORIGINALS, FOSTER ART, AND KEEP

Forgers and Helpers ENTERTAINMENT SAFE ACT OF 2023 (NO FAKES ACT) AND THE NO ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE FAKE REPLICAS AND UNAUTHORIZED

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Electrical Workers Local 1260

International Brotherhood of The Hawaii Ports Maritime Council strongly supports SCR 95 to encourage our Hawaii Congressional Delegation to pass the NO FAKES and NO FRAUDS acts International Longshore and to protect the artistic community and the public from the inappropriate use of AI and unauthorized Deepfakes.

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The Thirty-Second Legislature
The Senate
Committee on Public Safety and Intergovernmental and Military Affairs

Testimony by Hawaii State AFL-CIO

March 20, 2024

TESTIMONY ON SCR95 - ENCOURAGING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO PASS THE NURTURE ORIGINALS, FOSTER ART, AND KEEP ENTERTAINMENT SAFE ACT OF 2023 (NO FAKES ACT) AND THE NO ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE FAKE REPLICAS AND UNAUTHORIZED DUPLICATIONS ACT OF 2024 (NO AI FRAUD ACT).

Chair Wakai, Vice Chair Elefante, and members of the committee:

The Hawaii State AFL-CIO is a federation of 74 affiliate labor organizations representing over 68,000 union members in the State of Hawaii. The AFL-CIO serves its affiliates by advocating for workers and their families before the state legislature and other state and county government branches.

The Hawaii State AFL-CIO <u>supports</u> SCR95, which urges the United States Congress to pass two critical pieces of legislation: the Nurture Originals, Foster Art, and Keep Entertainment Safe Act of 2023 (NO FAKES Act) and the No Artificial Intelligence Fake Replicas and Unauthorized Duplications Act of 2024 (NO AI Fraud Act).

Protecting original creative works and preventing the proliferation of counterfeit goods is paramount for safeguarding the integrity of our creative industries. The NO FAKES Act and NO Al Fraud Act are essential steps in this endeavor, aiming to preserve the value of authentic artwork and entertainment while supporting artists and creators.

Encouraging Congress to pass these bills is crucial and will enable us to combat intellectual property theft effectively and ensure fair compensation for artists and creators. Upholding the integrity of our creative industries benefits workers and their families and contributes to our society's cultural richness.

Respectfully submitted,

Randy Perreira

President



March 20. 2024

Committee on Publis Safety and Intergovernmental and Military Affairs Sen. Wakai, Chair Sen. Elefante, Vice Chair The Senate The Thirtieth-Second Legislature Regular Session of 2024

DATE: Wednesday, March 20, 2024

TIME: 3:01 pm

PLACE: Conference Room 225 and

VIA Videoconference

State Capitol 415 South Beretania Street, Honolulu HI

RE: <u>SCR95</u> - ENCOURAGING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO PASS THE NURTURE ORIGINALS, FOSTER ART, AND KEEP ENTERTAINMENT SAFE ACT OF 2023 (NO FAKES ACT) AND THE NO ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE FAKE REPLICAS AND UNAUTHORIZED DUPLICATIONS ACT OF 2024 (NO AI FRAUD ACT).

Aloha Chair Wakai, Vice Chair Elefante, and the members of the committee,

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in strong **SUPPORT of SCR 95**. This resolution encourages the US Congress to pass the NO FAKES and NO AI FRAUD ACTS.

SAG-AFTRA represents over 1400 actors, recording artists, and media professionals in our state. We are the professional performers working in front of the camera and behind the microphone.

Issues surrounding the inappropriate use of both traditional and generative Artificial Intelligence and Deep Fakes permeate our industry.

As stated in the Resolution, we must try to find a "balance between creative expression and artistic freedom, and protections against exploitation through the use of generative and traditional artificial intelligence."

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Additionally, as stated in the Resolution, we should strive to protect not only "artists and creatives, but also other individuals, ranging from high school girls to celebrities, who have been unable to protect their voice and likeness from misappropriation."

We are grateful for the Chair's willingness to hear this resolution encouraging our congressional delegation to support these bills.

Respectfully,

Mericia Palma Elmore

Mericia Palma Elmore, Executive Director SAG-AFTRA Hawaii Local

Submitted on: 3/19/2024 10:16:25 AM

Testimony for PSM on 3/20/2024 3:01:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
HENRY IAN CUSICK	Testifying for SAG- AFTRA	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I am in support of this as It will protect our SAG-AFTRA members and the public from the inappropriate use of both traditional and generative A.I. and unauthorized deepfakes.

Mahalo

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Hawai'i SAG-AFTRA National board member

Submitted on: 3/19/2024 12:25:37 PM

Testimony for PSM on 3/20/2024 3:01:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Patrick Max Weisbarth	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha Kakou,

I'm writing to you in strong support of SCR 95. My eldest Son has recently graduated from UH West O'ahu with a B.A. in Creative Media. I find it nauseating that all of his hard work, not to mention our financial sacrifices as a family, may all be a futile and wasted effort due to the rampant onset of Artificial Intelligence in the film/media industry. We (Myself, my Son, and our entire family) pray that you agree with SCR 95 and support it as strongly as we do.

Mahalo

Submitted on: 3/19/2024 1:58:10 PM

Testimony for PSM on 3/20/2024 3:01:00 PM

Subm	itted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Sheree	en Balles	Individual	Support	In Person

Comments:

Aloha Mai Kakou,

I am writing in strong support of SCR 95. Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this bill. This resolution encourages the US congress to pass the No Fakes and No AI Fraud ACTS.

I am an Actress and a long tike SAGAFTRA member in the Film Industry. I especially would appreciate discouraging the use of AI and Deep Fakes in place of myself or my fellow Actors.

I am writing to encourage you to please honor my request to pass this bill.

Aloha nui loa,

Shereen Balles

Submitted on: 3/19/2024 1:49:49 PM

Testimony for PSM on 3/20/2024 3:01:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
SCOTT SWARTZ	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha Chair Wakai, Vice Chair Elefante, and the members of the committee,

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in strong SUPPORT of SCR 95. This resolution encourages the US Congress to pass the NO FAKES and NO AI FRAUD ACTS.

I am an actor, a member of SAG-AFTRA, and a full-time resident of Oahu.

Issues surrounding the inappropriate use of both traditional and generative Artificial Intelligence and Deep Fakes permeate our industry.

As stated in the Resolution, we must try to find a "balance between creative expression and artistic freedom, and protections against exploitation through the use of generative and traditional artificial intelligence."

Additionally, as stated in the Resolution, we should strive to protect not only "artists and creatives, but also other individuals, ranging from high school girls to celebrities, who have been unable to protect their voice and likeness from misappropriation."

I am grateful for the Chair's willingness to hear this resolution encouraging our

congressional delegation to support these bills.			
Respectfully,			
Scott Swartz			

Submitted on: 3/19/2024 2:48:20 PM

Testimony for PSM on 3/20/2024 3:01:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Ka'ela Kaulia	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha kakou,

My name is Ka'ela Kaulia. I am a UH West Oahu Fall 2023 graduate with a degree in creative media and I support the SCR 95, No Frauds No Fakes Act. As a recent graduate in this field, I have had an increasing worry about my future and job security thanks to AI and how quickly it is being expanded upon in the industry, and with seemingly no way to stop it. So much so that I have had many talks with my family about what would be best to pursue as a career now that I am finished with college. With the amount of time and dedication i've put in as well as the cost of my tuition over the years to receive this degree, it is disheartening to know that AI is right around the corner and able to put people alike in the industry out of jobs in an instant. I pray that you agree with SCR 95 and support it as strongly as I and my family do.

Mahalo,

Ka'ela Kaulia

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IATSE Local 665

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March 20, 2024

The Thirty-Second Legislature, State of Hawai'i Hawai'i State Senate Committee on Public Safety and Intergovernmental and Military Affairs

HEARING DATE, TIME AND ROOM: Tue., 03/20/24 at 3:01 PM - ROOM 225

RE: SCR 95 – Encouraging the US Congrass to Pass the Nurture Originals, Foster Art, and Keep Entertainment Safe Act of 2023 (NO FAKES ACT) and the No Artificial Intelligence Fake Replicas and Unauthorized Duplications Act of 2024 (NO AI FRAUD ACT)

Aloha, Chair Glenn Wakai, Vice Chair Brandon J.C. Elefante and Committee Members:

My name is Irish Barber, and I am the Business Representative and head of IATSE Local 665. Our local represents approximately 800 members and 700 future members who work behind-the-scenes and backstage on feature films, television shows, concerts and conventions across all of the Hawaiian Islands. Our film workers are in **SUPPORT** of **SCR 95**.

We have many creative workers who use technology to bring their art form to life. We have graphic artists, set designers, production designers, art directors, costumers, visual effects, editors, etc. who use technology every day. The IATSE has adapted to the change in technology for over 125 years. We are keely aware of the power of artificial intelligence to make our lives easier and the problems they could create in industries around the world if left unchecked.

SCR 95 seeks to protect citizens from the unauthorized use of their image, voice, signature and original artwork from abuse and misuse by persons, companies and entities who utilize artificial intelligence.

Please join support SCR 95.

Respectfully,

Irish Barber

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