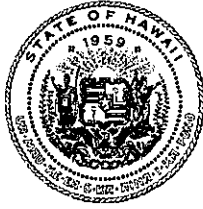


TESTIMONY
HB1141 HD1

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**STATE OF HAWAII
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**Testimony of
LAURA H. THIELEN
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**Before the Senate Committees on
WATER, LAND, AGRICULTURE, AND HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS
and
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TECHNOLOGY**

**Wednesday, March 18, 2009
4:00 PM**

State Capitol, Conference Room 229

**In consideration of
HOUSE BILL 1141, HOUSE DRAFT 1
RELATING TO THRILL CRAFT OPERATION**

House Bill 1141, House Draft 1 proposes to: 1) Authorize government operations and film permit holders approved by the Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department), to utilize thrill craft in non-designated areas; and 2) Require thrill craft involved in film production to be assessed the same fees as boats and vessels. The Department strongly supports this Administrative measure.

Currently, section 200-37(c), Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS), only allows individuals to operate thrill craft in designated areas of state waters. The statute is silent with regard to operating thrill craft in non-designated areas by state personnel. Thrill craft have proven to be an effective tool for monitoring natural resources and providing public safety. Jet skis are used by county lifeguards and due to their minimal draft and jet drive systems, are able to access areas that boats are unable to operate in.

This bill would allow authorized government personnel conducting operations approved by the Department to operate thrill craft in non-designated areas for official government business. Specifically jet skis can be used to access shallow near-shore areas to monitor the effect of newly implemented ban on the use of lay gill nets around Maui. These lay gill net fishing areas are normally characterized by rough very shallow waters, making the maneuvering by boat difficult or unsafe. Jet skis will allow Department staff to move around in shallow reef flats and conduct shallow water fish and habitat surveys. Surveys of opihi may also require the use of jet ski's as Department staff will need to access remote shorelines, rugged coastal areas where opihi populations would need to be assessed. Other valuable uses include water quality mapping efforts whereby the jet ski moves over shallow nearshore waters, and a series of Geographic Information System (GIS) linked instruments record salinity, temperature, depth, etc. and then

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record those data in relation to spatial GIS coordinates. A preliminary trial has shown this to be a very efficient way to map out submarine ground water inputs to the coastline.

The Hawaii Film Office (Film Office) has requested an exemption be placed within section 200-37(c), HRS, to allow authorized film production conducting operations approved by the Department, to operate thrill craft in non-designated areas. Currently, the use of jet skis for film shoots is limited to water safety. This exemption would allow the use of jet skis as picture vessels, for transport of cast and crew and for use for camera positioning. As film shoots are temporary in nature, the Department does not foresee an adverse impact to the public or the marine environment. The Department and the Film Office through the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism have a close working relationship as it pertains to facilitating film production on state lands. Both departments recognize film production as a clean industry that stimulates the economy by providing well paying jobs for Hawaii's people and a positive exposure for the state. As the Department recognizes Hawaii's unique scenic qualities play a major part in attracting filming in the Islands, the Department concurs with the Film Office's request, and has proposed amending section 200-37(c), HRS, accordingly. The Department is of the understanding that the Film Office is agreeable to the issue of assessing fees on thrill crafts used in film production as called for in this measure.

Testimony in Opposition to HB1441 HD1 for WTL/EDT hearing on Wed March 18th @4PM

Opposition to HSCR680

There are many sound reasons why jet skis do **NOT** belong in Kailua Bay ... with the exception of emergency responses.

Turtles, deep water swimmers, noise exacerbated by the prevailing winds, coral, surfer and boogie boarders, paddle boarders.

Putting The Film Industry label on the jet skis does absolutely nothing to mitigate these environmental safety and esthetic factors.

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Re: HB 1141, HD1 RELATING TO OCEAN RECREATION

Hearing: Wednesday, March 18, 2009 at 4:00 pm in Conf. Room 229

Aloha kākou,

I strongly oppose HB1141 HD1 which authorizes government personnel conducting operations approved by the Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) and film permit holders involved in film production conducting operations approved by DLNR to operate thrill crafts in non-designated areas.

I live near to Maunalua Bay, one of Hawai'i's largest bays that stretches from Kawaihoa (Kokohead) to Kūpikipiki'ō (Black Point). Maunalua Bay was formerly home to a great abundance of fish and fishponds. Since ancient times, stories recorded the great schools of mullet that traveled through Maunalua each year. Fish were so abundant that they would stretch as far as the eye could see.

Maunalua Bay is currently heavily used for intense commercial and personal recreational activities five days a week, including thrill craft. Based on their long relationship with the waters of Maunalua Bay and their deep cultural understanding of the ocean, numerous kupuna who grew up in the area and fished in the waters of Maunalua Bay speak of the significant negative effects jet skis have had on the reef fish population and in the decline of the health of the Bay in general. According to *Personal Watercraft Illustrated*, an average two-hour "thrill" ride on a thrill craft can dump between 3 and 4 gallons of gas and oil into the water and emits twice as much pollution as an equivalently powered motorboat. Many shoreline property owners who live on the shore of Maunalua Bay have also complained about the high-pitched, chainsaw-like whine of jet skis.

The law prohibiting commercial thrill craft businesses from operating in Maunalua Bay on Saturdays, Sundays or State holidays and restricting thrill craft to certain areas at certain times has been in effect since 1988 to protect those in our community who paddle, surf, fish, swim and enjoy the beauty of Maunalua Bay as a result of an accident involving a thrill craft running over a woman and to protect migrating humpback whales.

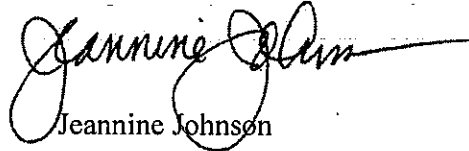
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E ola ke kai, e ola kākou (as the ocean thrives, so do we.) Please kōkua and oppose HB1141 HD1 or amend it by deleting Section 4 pertaining to film production permit holders.

Mahalo,



Jeannine Johnson

cc: Sen. Sam Slom
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Rep. Lyla Berg
Rep. Barbara Marumoto

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Comments:

Aloha All, As I look out my windows of the Ilikai Marina, I see one of these thrill Rides, As they build up speed to do a 180 degree spin, I think if any fish are falling victims to such rides.

Is any evidence of Marine Life danger been looked into? these thrill rides are new and now want to expand the area now being allowed, has anyone looked into weather they do any damage?.

Aloha
Raymond A. Gruntz



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Testimony in opposition to HB1141, HD1 and Companion SB959

At its regularly scheduled meeting of March 5, 2009 the Kailua Neighborhood Board No. 31 adopted the following motion:

The Kailua Neighborhood Board opposes HB 1141 that would allow jet-ski and other thrill-craft in Kailua Bay. The motion was adopted 14-0-0. Aye: Bartley, Best, Bratt, Bryant-Hunter, Chinen, Corcoran, Correa, Fernandez, Glanstein, Prentiss, Retherford, Tomasa, Ure, Wong.

HB 1441, HD1 and the companion bill SB959 reflect a lack of understanding that thrill craft is inappropriate for Kailua Bay in particular and other Oahu ocean waters because of the permitted human activity that conflicts with thrill craft. It must be recalled that death has occurred at Maunaloa Bay to an unsuspecting person due to the use of thrill craft which prompted the moratorium on thrill craft in almost all area waters of Oahu. The film industry identifies as a singularity to be given special consideration and it is our position and experience that thrill craft is an inappropriate use in Kailua Bay.

Charging a fee to the film industry to operate thrill craft does not mitigate death, injury or damage to persons, ocean life or ocean formations. Section 1 (c) (4) sets a dangerous precedent to allow the film industry make the sole determination of filming locations over the safety for water users including swimmers, snorkelers, endangered water habitants, residents, visitors and children.

The Department of Land and Natural Resources is charged with control of the use of thrill craft while filming; not just simply collecting fees to assuage a special interest group.

It would be wise of the Hawaii Legislature to recommend a special working group or special task force who's primary purpose is to identify those areas, like Kailua Bay, that are family oriented and unsuitable for thrill craft except for emergency response by trained emergency personnel. We recommend an amendment to Section 1 (c) (3) to reflect this further protection of our ocean waters.



It would be appropriate for the Department of Land and Natural Resources to require the film industry to use trained and certified government personnel to conduct their thrill craft operation.

Non-designated areas of Kailua Bay are swim and snorkel areas outside the swim buoys and are currently used by swimmers and snorkelers. These persons are legitimately engaged in surface and underwater activities and are unaware of the potentially dangerous thrill craft until they are negatively impacted, injured or killed.

The Kailua Neighborhood Board submits testimony in opposition on HB1141, HD1 and companion SB959.



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HOUSE COMMITTEE N TOURISM, CULTURE, & INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION, BUSINESS, &
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RE: HB 1141 (Companion SB959) Relating to Thrill craft Operation

March 3, 2009-10:30am

State Capitol

Conference Room 312

FAX: 586-6271

Dear Rep. Joey Manasha, Chair, Vice Chair James Tokioka, Chair Angus Mckelvey,
Vice Chair Isaac Choy an members of the committee:

I am in strong support of HB1411 RELATING TO THRILL CRAFT OPERATING
which seeks to authorizes government personnel conducting operations approved by the
Department of Land and natural Resources (Department) and film permit holders
involved in film production conducting operations approved by the Department to
operate thrill crafts in non-designated areas.

This bill is of an absolute necessity in the ongoing support of water filming operations
including the use of the Jet Ski as a camera platform.

Anytime any water work is filmed, be it boating, surfing, or swimming using actors or
extras in the water the use of the professional companies providing water safety via
"Thrill craft" jet boats or jet skis is of the utmost importance. It is the film company's
responsibility to provide this safety measure from a liability standpoint for the safety of
the actors or extras and water crew. In an ocean emergency it has been proven time and
again that the rapid response provide by these teams on jet skis is the difference of life
and death or severe long-term disability.

I urge you to pass HB 1141

I appreciate your support on this bill,

LeRoy Jenkins
President
Productions Partners Inc.

Testimony RE HB 1141, HD1

Please vote in favor of HB 1141, allowing thrill craft to be used by DLNR and approved film crews.

Jet skis have been used for years by lifeguards in Hawaii to make ocean rescues, often in difficult big wave situations. Hawaii lifeguards pioneered this application of jet skis, and have become the internationally recognized leaders in the field. They have traveled and taught jetski rescue around the world. In big or small surf, in almost all near shore rescue situations, jet skis are the most effective rescue tool, and with a well trained operator they can be used safely even in crowded areas. The lack of an exposed prop make approaching a swimmer or surfer much safer than in other small boats, and people can be brought to shore more quickly than by any other method.

The same team of lifeguards who pioneered the use of jetskis have become involved in water safety for film production. With their expertise, productions have been able to safely have actors in ocean situations they otherwise would have great difficulty with. Without this safety in place, filming with actors in the waves would not be possible in many situations. The jet skis can also aid the cameramen and other crew who need to be in the water. Also, many rescues have been made on people not involved in the film production, by the water safety teams hired by the film productions. They make the whole area safer with their presence.

It should be obvious that allowing DLNR to use jet skis will enable them to do their job, part of which is enforcing rules about jet ski use.

Having world class water safety here in Hawaii is a vital part of what Hawaii has to offer to producers of films. Please vote for HB 1141.

Sincerely,

Don King

From: Bunky Bakutis [bakutisb@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2009 10:22 AM
To: WTLTestimony
Subject: testimony supporting HB1141,HD1

March 17, 2009

Aloha,

I am writing to testify in favor of HB1141,HD1 set for a hearing Wed., March 18, 2009 at 4 p.m. in Conf. Rm. 229, State Capitol.

This bill deserves Hawaii's support as it allows jetski vessels to use shoreline areas in both support and rescue capacities for our very vital film industry. This special consideration is key to keeping the film industry alive and well in Hawaii.

Without permission for these craft to use what are "restricted" areas for thrill seekers, there would be a great danger posed to not only the actors, film directors and film support staff but also to the public who use these sites.

The only amendment that should be inacted to this bill is that the film production company should be charged a permit fee, not the craft owner or operator.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

Robert Bakutis
retired Honolulu Advertiser reporter
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Prickett Films
Extreme Films and Cinematography

Regarding:

**SENATE COMMITTEE ON WATER, LAND, AGRICULTURE, AND HAWAIIAN
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Wednesday, March 18, 2009
4:00 PM
State Capitol, Conference Room 229

In consideration of
HB 1141, HD1
RELATING TO THRILL CRAFT OPERATION

As one of the leading cinematographer's, I film in Hawaii extensively and the use of Jet Ski's for filming purposes is a large part of my business. Therefore, I strongly urge the passage of **HB 1141, HD1**.

RELATING TO THRILL CRAFT OPERATION

As a filming location, Hawaii has a global reputation especially for its pristine waters and world-class surf. For this reason a significant number of local and off-shore productions film in Hawaiian waters annually and due to this we now have the best water safety experts the film industry has ever known. I can attest to the fact that without them, I could not do my job. As a big wave cinematographer I rely on them for my safety – many times for my life when I film the large waves. They are the best trained, water safety experts in the world. It is imperative that is passed, for the livelihood of the film industry, the surf industry and all of our safety.

Regarding the language to assess fees for the use of jet skis for filming purposes, Prickett Films recommends that this language be deleted because film permit fees are not mandated through the Hawaii Revised Statutes or the Hawaii Administrative Rules. Instead, Prickett Films recommends that the same assessment of fees for film permits issued involving DLNR Division of Boating & Ocean Recreation (DOBOR) facilities (small boat harbors) extend to those DOBOR-related film permits that involve use of jet skis and other motorized vessels. These fee assessment changes for film permits can be handled within the existing Memorandum of Agreement between DLNR and DBEDT.

Prickett Films urges passage of this bill.

Thank you for the opportunity to offer testimony on this measure.

Respectfully,

Mike Prickett

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Comments:

**Stephanie Spangler
Hawaii Film Authority, Inc.**

Wednesday, March 18, 2009

TIME: 4:00 p.m.

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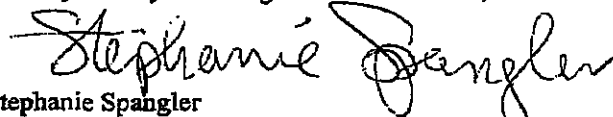
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This bill is of an absolute necessity in the ongoing support of water filming operations around the Islands and the Film community is requesting that you allow DLNR to give their professional permission to use jet skis in place of motor boats where needed. The use of a few jet skis in place of boats is an intermittent activity that uses various locals around the Island.

Anytime any water work is filmed, be it boating, surfing, or swimming using actors or extras in the water the use of professional companies providing water safety via "Thrill craft" jet boats or jet skis is of the utmost importance. It is the film company's responsibility to provide this safety measure from a liability standpoint for the safety of the motion picture actors or extras and water crew. In an ocean emergency it has been proven time and again that the rapid response provided by these teams on jet skis is the difference of life and death or severe long term disability. The companies operating these jet skis are professional and skilled in lifesaving procedures. The production company provides insurance to the State of Hawaii and pays for fees associated with the use of the craft.

I urge you to pass HB 1141, HD1

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration,


Stephanie Spangler

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Marilyn Mick

Victor Lozano

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The following is copied but reflects the point that must be looked at when considering this bill. The safety of any one person must be put first.

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Victor Lozano

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Location Manager**

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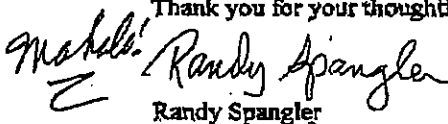
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Thank you for your thoughtful consideration,

Mahalo!

Randy Spangler

*Location mgr. on various water work shows. Pearl Harbor, Baywatch,
Blue Crush, & others.*

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Please support HB 1141.

After working in the film industry for 30 years in Hawaii....I have found that a good portion of work is on the water. It is unfortunate that regulations confine the use of jet ski/jet boats since they are often times a safer vessel due to mobility and NO PROPS.

Thank you for your time.

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