

SB 1064

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COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, INTERNATIONAL AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL
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Senator J. Kalani English, Chair
Senator Mike Gabbard, Vice Chair

NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Wednesday, February 11, 2009
TIME: 1:30 p.m.
PLACE: Conference Room 224

RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLE
SAFETY.

Prohibits the sale of new and unused
tires that were manufactured more than
six years prior to the date of the sale.

Aloha,

I would like to voice my strong support for SB 1064.

I am a mother with 4 active keiki. We spend most of our days driving around Oahu to school, sports, afterschool activities, and to see our family. I depend A LOT on having a safe vehicle with safe tires. I heard about this bill and I think it is a GREAT idea.

I have a small budget as a single parent and I always look for deals. I would be HORRIFIED if I found out that the tires I just bought, that I am counting on to be safe for driving my precious cargo through the heavy rain of Manoa, were actually 6 or more years old. Who knows what condition tires could be in after sitting in some warehouse on a car parts store shelf for that long??

For the sake of all of us "mom taxis" and everyone else on the road, please pass this bill to ensure at least this one aspect of our transportation a little bit more safe and reliable. I thank you for your sincere consideration in PASSING SB 1064.

Mahalo,

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From: James Kawasaki [jameskawasaki@rocketmail.com]
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Please submit my testimony for SB 1064 below. Thank you.

For the Committee on Transportation & Intergovernmental Affairs, Feb 11, 2009 1:30pm

To Chair English:

My previous employer told me about this bill that I feel I must testify in support of--SB 1064.

I worked for over 12 years at a well-known, well-established and reputable tire store/mechanic/auto care facility in Honolulu. I can tell you (without naming the specific business) that selling tires that are much more than 6 years old is very very common. And most of the customers have no idea. Our customers wanted tires at low prices and we would sell them but I wonder how old rubber can possibly hold up as it should 6,8,10 years after manufacture. I wouldn't want to take the chance on my car. I wanted to let you know, from an insiders' point of view, that it would make the tire sale industry much more reputable & accountable if this became law.

Sincerely,
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