

# HB2013 HD2

Measure Title: RELATED TO MIXED MARTIAL ARTS.  
 Report Title: Mixed Martial Arts; Definition  
 Description: Amends the definition of mixed martial arts to include kickboxing, pankration, muay Thai, and xtreme martial arts. Effective July 1, 2112. (HB2013 HD2)  
 Companion: SB2109  
 Package: None  
 Current Referral: EDT, CPN  
 Introducer(s): CHANG, AWANA, CULLEN, ICHIYAMA, ITO, MCKELVEY, MIZUNO, OKAMURA, TSUJI, YAMASHITA, Cabanilla, Chong, Har, Hashem

<u>Sort by Date</u>		<b>Status Text</b>
1/18/2012	H	Pending introduction.
1/19/2012	H	Introduced and Pass First Reading.
1/19/2012	H	Referred to ERB, CPC, referral sheet 3
1/20/2012	H	Bill scheduled to be heard by ERB on Tuesday, 01-24-12 8:30AM in House conference room 312.
1/24/2012	H	The committee(s) on ERB recommend(s) that the measure be deferred until 02-02-12.
1/31/2012	H	Bill scheduled for decision making on Thursday, 02-02-12 8:30AM in conference room 312.
2/2/2012	H	The committees on ERB recommend that the measure be PASSED, WITH AMENDMENTS. The votes were as follows: 9 Ayes: Representative(s) McKelvey, Choy, Awana, Brower, Evans, Hashem, Nishimoto, Tokioka, Tsuji; Ayes with reservations: none; Noes: none; and 2 Excused: Representative(s) Marumoto, Pine.
2/8/2012	H	Reported from ERB (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 200-12) as amended in HD 1, recommending passage on Second Reading and referral to CPC.
2/8/2012	H	Passed Second Reading as amended in HD 1 and referred to the committee(s) on CPC with none voting aye with reservations; none

		voting no (0) and C. Lee excused (1).
2/16/2012	H	Bill scheduled to be heard by CPC on Wednesday, 02-22-12 2:00PM in House conference room 325.
2/22/2012	H	The committees on CPC recommend that the measure be PASSED, WITH AMENDMENTS. The votes were as follows: 14 Ayes: Herkes, Yamane, Brower, Cabanilla, Carroll, Ito, Keith-Agaran, Luke, McKelvey, Souki, Tsuji, Ching, Marumoto, Thielen; Ayes with reservations: none; 0 Noes: none; and 1 Excused: Coffman.
3/2/2012	H	Reported from CPC (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 711-12) as amended in HD 2, recommending passage on Third Reading.
3/2/2012	H	Forty-eight (48) hours notice Tuesday, 03-06-12.
3/6/2012	H	Passed Third Reading as amended in HD 2 with none voting aye with reservations; none voting no (0) and none excused (0). Transmitted to Senate.
3/8/2012	S	Received from House (Hse. Com. No. 113).
3/8/2012	S	Passed First Reading.
3/8/2012	S	Referred to EDT, CPN.
3/13/2012	S	The committee(s) on EDT has scheduled a public hearing on 03-19-12 1:30PM in conference room 016.
3/16/2012	S	The committee(s) on EDT has rescheduled its public hearing to 03-19-12 2:30PM in conference room 016.
3/19/2012	S	The committee(s) on EDT deferred the measure until 03-21-12 1:15PM in conference room 016.
3/21/2012	S	The committee(s) on EDT recommend(s) that the measure be PASSED, UNAMENDED. The votes in EDT were as follows: 4 Aye(s): Senator(s) Fukunaga, Wakai, Baker, Solomon; Aye(s) with reservations: none ; 0 No(es): none; and 1 Excused: Senator(s) Slom.
3/23/2012	S	Reported from EDT (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2942) with recommendation of passage on Second Reading and referral to CPN.
3/23/2012	S	Report adopted; Passed Second Reading and referred to CPN.
3/27/2012	S	The committee(s) on CPN will hold a public decision making on 03-30-12 9:30AM in conference room 229.



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Friday, March 30, 2012  
9:30 a.m.

**WRITTEN TESTIMONY ONLY**

**TESTIMONY ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2013, H.D. 2, RELATING TO MIXED MARTIAL ARTS.**

TO THE HONORABLE ROSALYN BAKER, CHAIR,  
AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE:

My name is Alan Taniguchi, Executive Officer for the Hawaii Mixed Martial Arts Program, Professional and Vocational Licensing Division of the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs ("Department"). Thank you for the opportunity to present testimony on House Bill No. 2013, H.D. 2, Relating to Mixed Martial Arts. The Department strongly supports this bill.

This bill amends the definition of mixed martial arts to include the regulation of other disciplines that use striking. The disciplines of kickboxing, pankration, muay tai, and xtreme martial arts are not covered under Chapter 440E, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

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Without the inclusion of these disciplines, there is no requirement for contestants' blood work or the presence of licensed physicians, referees, judges, and ambulance at events. The risk of injury in events with these disciplines is just as great as currently regulated MMA events. The purpose of regulating MMA is to protect the health and safety of the contestants. The language in House Bill No. 2013, H.D. 2, is a result of consultation with the Attorney General's Office and the Regulated Industries Complaints Office.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide written testimony in support of this bill.



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TO THE HONORABLE ROSALYN H. BAKER, CHAIR,  
AND TO THE HONORABLE BRIAN T. TANIGUCHI, VICE CHAIR,  
AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE:

The Regulated Industries Complaints Office ("RICO") of the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs appreciates the opportunity to testify on House Bill No. 2013 H.D.2, Relating To Mixed Martial Arts. My name is Daria Loy-Goto, Acting Complaints and Enforcement Officer for RICO. RICO offers the following written testimony on the bill.

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House Bill No. 2013 H.D.2 amends the definition of "mixed martial arts" to include kickboxing, pankration, muay thai, and xtreme martial arts. The bill also has a defective effective date.

RICO takes no position on whether these activities should be included in the definition of "mixed martial arts", but notes that the definition in the current draft offers sufficient clarity that will facilitate RICO's enforcement of chapter 440E, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

In addition, RICO respectfully requests that the bill be amended to include an effective date of July 1, 2012. A specific effective date would make it clear to all interested parties when the revised definition would go into effect.

Thank you for this opportunity to submit written testimony on House Bill No. 2013 H.D.2. I will be happy to answer any questions that the members of the Committee may have.