From:mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.govSent:Monday, February 06, 2012 4:06 PMTo:ERBtestimonyCc:palegge@gmail.comSubject:LATE TESTIMONY - Testimony for HB2060 on 2/7/2012 11:30:00 AM

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Conference room: 312 Testifier position: Support Testifier will be present: No Submitted by: Patricia Legge Organization: Individual E-mail: <u>palegge@gmail.com</u> Submitted on: 2/6/2012

Comments:

I heartily support licensing and regulating zip lines in Hawaii. We live across the gully from the scene of a horrible zip line accident which took one life and caused serious injury to another man. Prior to the accident, we were one of the families who urged regulation to the zip line industry.

My husband and I have ridden several zip lines here and on Maui and were surprised at the differences in the harnesses and safety equipment as well as the safety of the take-off and landing areas. I feel it is important to regulate this potentially dangerous form of entertainment.

Sincerely, Patricia Legge From:mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.govSent:Monday, February 06, 2012 4:06 PMTo:ERBtestimonyCc:timdelozier@yahoo.comSubject:LATE TESTIMONY - Testimony for HB2060 on 2/7/2012 11:30:00 AM

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Conference room: 312 Testifier position: Support Testifier will be present: No Submitted by: Timothy DeLozier Organization: Individual E-mail: <u>timdelozier@yahoo.com</u> Submitted on: 2/6/2012

Comments:

I am a resident in Paukaa, a small community just north of Hilo. Our community is directly below the site of the recent tragedy operated by KapohoKine Adventure Tours. In fact, the day of that tragedy, I came home to find a firetruck parked in my driveway because the responding emergency crew wasn't able to traverse the poorly maintained road that accesses the zipline site with their truck so they left it in my driveway. I strongly support this bill 2060. The KapohoKine Adventure zipline is just one of many examples of businesses in our state that have operations claiming to fall within "eco-tourism". The problem is that there is no definition of "eco-tourism" on the Hawaii law-books. Many of these operations are questionable because they are either exploiting our fragile ecosystem or utilize means that damage our environment to build them and/or transport guests to and from them. I feel that a bill such as HB2060 is long overdue and needs to be passed. Mahalo for your time & consideration.

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Conference room: 312 Testifier position: Support Testifier will be present: No Submitted by: Michael Frisk Organization: Princeville Ranch Adventures E-mail: <u>mike@princevilleranch.com</u> Submitted on: 2/6/2012

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Conference room: 312 Testifier position: Support Testifier will be present: No Submitted by: Erik McLellan Organization: Skyline Eco-Adventures E-mail: <u>erik@zipline.com</u> Submitted on: 2/6/2012

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Conference room: 312 Testifier position: Support Testifier will be present: No Submitted by: DAVID CARSWELL Organization: Individual E-mail: <u>david@adventureskauai.com</u> Submitted on: 2/6/2012

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mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov Monday, February 06, 2012 8:28 PM ERBtestimony gottlieb@hawaii.rr.com LATE TESTIMONY - Testimony for HB2060 on 2/7/2012 11:30:00 AM

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Conference room: 312 Testifier position: Support Testifier will be present: No Submitted by: Alan Gottlieb Organization: Hawaii Cattlemen's Council E-mail: gottlieb@hawaii.rr.com Submitted on: 2/6/2012

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Conference room: 312 Testifier position: Support Testifier will be present: No Submitted by: Denise Carswell Organization: Individual E-mail: <u>denise@adventureskauai.com</u> Submitted on: 2/6/2012

mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov Monday, February 06, 2012 9:07 PM ERBtestimony jeff.baldwin@piiholozipline.com LATE TESTIMONY - Testimony for HB2060 on 2/7/2012 11:30:00 AM

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Conference room: 312 Testifier position: Support Testifier will be present: No Submitted by: Jeff Baldwin Organization: Individual E-mail: jeff.baldwin@piiholozipline.com Submitted on: 2/6/2012

Comments:

I have worked in the Zipline industry for several years now and can say that the over whelming numbers of operators in Hawaii are in support of regulation which mirrors the standards that the industry has already been using for years. These standards are continuously monitored and revised much like the building code. This bill spells this out and gives specifics with the definition as read in section 1 "Challenge course standards". It is a focused bill designed for a specific task.

I am largely in support of bill 2060 as it provides the best opportunity for public safety and Zipline staff to ensure standards to which they can all be measured using existing international models long establish in this industry. I am concerned however that the Department in offering an inspection for \$100 may be biting off more then they can chew. In section 5 under permits; application; annual inspection (c) states: that the Department shall perform an inspection. It goes on to say that the department shall accept and may approve inspection reports provided by the operator from QCCP inspectors.

I typically pay \$5,000 or more and my inspections. A fee of \$100 is incredilbly unrealistic at the majority of courses and may set a bad precedent. Professional inspections last days and cover in great detail highly specific items as they relate to nationally recognized standards. My inspectors work at heights of up to 600' performing these visual inspections as well as using instrument specific to the industry. These positions require an extensive understanding of a very specialized field. I would invite any lawmaker to attend one of these inspections. I will gladly make available to them the finished report accepted by our insurance carrier.

I think a possible lack of understanding of the depth and intensity, which is engaged in these inspections, may be the problem. Further more there is tremendous liability on the part of any agency offering inspections of a Zipline for use. This will typically be the first place that will be challenged in the event of any injury. If there is an effort to make these inspections cheap, or more available then good practice advices, then the State will certainly be at fault. I firmly believe that inspections must be held by QCCP inspectors.

I feel strongly that the Dept. of Labor and industrial relations be the issuing department in this endeavor. I believe it is consistent with the department in it's current capacity. I do not think it appropriate for the Dept. of Land and Natural resources to be the issuing department in this. These activities are almost exclusively held on Agricultural lands and this may be an over reach of law the DLNR's current set of responsibilities. When I get a safety inspection for my car, a trained inspector who is usually a mechanic does it, not a staff member from the department of motor vehicles. A safety inspection is required to have a registration, or permit to operate. While an officer may enforce this requirement if you are in violation of it, they are not required to

have a detailed understanding of the mechanics of the vehicle, nor are they the issuing department for the permit (registration).

Thank you for your consideration.

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Conference room: 312 Testifier position: Support Testifier will be present: No Submitted by: gale carswell Organization: Individual E-mail: galealoha@gmail.com Submitted on: 2/6/2012

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Tanya Paltin [satpaltin@gmail.com] Tuesday, February 07, 2012 4:49 AM ERBtestimony LATE TESTIMONY - HB2060

I am a member of Wainaku-Kaiwiki Community Association. and Samuel and I, Mildred, support HR2060. Guidelines that establish safety issues are necessary for ziplines. It is sad that we have had to discover this the hard way, with one death and one serious injury. Please make Hawaii safe, even as it is a fun and wonderful place to live. Sincerely, Mildred Paltin

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Conference room: 312 Testifier position: Support Testifier will be present: Yes Submitted by: Julianne Organization: Individual E-mail: juli@justlive.org Submitted on: 2/7/2012

Comments: I will be bringing written testimony to the hearing. Mahalo.

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Conference room: 312 Testifier position: Support Testifier will be present: Yes Submitted by: Nicole Baier Organization: Individual E-mail: <u>nicole@justlive.org</u> Submitted on: 2/7/2012

Comments:

I will be reading written testimony at hearing.