

SB3077

Measure Title: RELATING TO THE MAALAEA SMALL BOAT HARBOR.

Report Title: Maalaea Small Boat Harbor; Department of Land and Natural Resources; Capital Improvement Project; Appropriation (\$)

Description: Appropriates funds for the capital improvement project at Maalaea small boat harbor for the replacement of wooden finger piers along the south mole at the harbor, including the demolition of the existing piers and steel piles, installation of new aluminum framed piers, and new composite plastic fingering.

Companion:

Package: None

Current Referral: WTL, WAM

Introducer(s): BAKER, Dela Cruz, Taniguchi

<u>Sort by Date</u>		Status Text
1/23/2014	S	Introduced.
1/27/2014	S	Passed First Reading.
1/27/2014	S	Referred to WTL, WAM.
1/30/2014	S	The committee(s) on WTL has scheduled a public hearing on 02-05-14 2:00PM in conference room 225.

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DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES**

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**Testimony of
WILLIAM J. AILA, JR.
Chairperson**

**Before the Senate Committee on
WATER AND LAND**

**Wednesday, February 5, 2014
2:00 P.M.
State Capitol, Conference Room 225**

**In consideration of
SENATE BILL 3077
RELATING TO THE MAALAEA SMALL BOAT HARBOR**

Senate Bill 3077 proposes to appropriate funding for a capital improvement project at the Maalaea Small Boat Harbor. **The Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) appreciates the intent of this measure and would support the offer of capital improvement funding as long as the Administration's budget request remains intact.**

Initial construction for the Maalaea Small Boat Harbor was in 1952 and the Harbor was built for recreational and commercial fishing vessels. In Fiscal Year 2013, the Harbor had over \$960,000 in revenues, with 75% of that from commercial operators and is the highest grossing harbor in Maui County and the third highest statewide.

The Department estimates that \$4 million is needed to replace seventeen wooden finger piers and associated concrete piles along the south mole of the harbor, where most of the large capacity commercial tour operators are located.

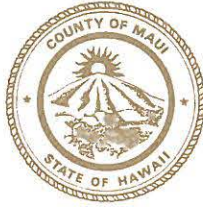
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COUNTY OF MAUI – Kalana O Maui

TESTIMONY OF ALAN ARAKAWA, MAYOR COUNTY OF MAUI

BEFORE THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WATER AND LAND

Wednesday, February 5, 2014, 2:00 p.m., Conference Rm. 225

SENATE BILL 3077 RELATING TO THE MAALAEA SMALL BOAT HARBOR

The Honorable Malama Solomon, Chair
The Honorable Brickwood Galuteria, Vice Chair
And Members of the Senate Committee on Water and Land

Thank you for this opportunity to testimony in **support** of **SB 3077** relating to the Maalaea Small Boat Harbor.

The purpose of this measure is to appropriate \$4,000,000 for the capital improvement project at the Maalaea small boat harbor on Maui, which includes the replacement of wooden finger piers along the south mole of the harbor, the demolition of the existing piers and steel piles, installation of new aluminum framed piers, and new composite plastic fingering.

As Mayor of Maui County, I support SB 3077 for the following reasons:

- The small harbors of Maui County are especially important due to the fact that Maui County is a three-island county, and our small harbors serve as a vital connection between the islands of Lanai, Maui, and Molokai.
- The Maalaea small boat harbor is heavily used by both residents and visitors who rely upon this harbor for commercial and recreational ocean activities.
- Currently, the finger piers located along the south mole at the Maalaea harbor are badly deteriorated and beyond repair. In order to ensure safe access to this harbor by residents and visitors it is necessary to replace the wooden finger piers, which includes demolition of the existing piers and steel piles, as well as installing new aluminum framed piers and new composite plastic fingering.

For these reasons, I support of SB 3077 relating to the Maalaea Small Boat Harbor.

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SB3077

Submitted on: 2/3/2014

Testimony for WTL on Feb 5, 2014 14:00PM in Conference Room 225

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Jeff Strahn	Maui Dive Shop	Support	No

Comments: We strongly support the finger piers at Maalaea Harbor with SB3077.
Please make this facility a first rate harbor for our guest, locals, and Kamaaina.

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COMMITTEE ON WATER AND LAND
Senator Malama Solomon, Chair
Senator Brickwood Galuteria, Vice Chair

Wednesday, February 5, 2013
2:00 pm
Room 225

TESTIMONY OF THE OCEAN TOURISM COALITION (OTC)
SPEAKING IN **STRONG SUPPORT OF SB 3077**

Chair Solomon, Vice Chair GALUTERIA, Members of WTL Committee:

Aloha,

My name is Jim Coon. I am the President of the Ocean Tourism Coalition (OTC) which is the only state wide organization representing the charter boat companies in Hawaii. **OTC strongly supports SB 3077.**

A major harbor improvement was recently completed at Maalaea Small Boat Harbor; however they did not replace the very old and dangerous wooden finger piers on the South Mole. This project would complete that part of the harbor which has the majority of commercial vessels.

Hundreds of tourists board vessels every day utilizing these wooden finger piers that need to be repaired or replaced. This project would replace these wooden finger piers with state of the art composite piers that would last for decades. It would also eliminate a significant liability for both the State and the operators.

These companies generate multiple millions of dollars of taxable revenue each year and employ hundreds of people.

This is a worthy project and we humbly ask you to pass SB3077.
Sincerely,

James E. Coon, President
Ocean Tourism Coalition (OTC)

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Councilmember Don Couch	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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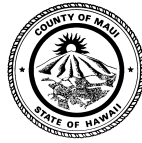
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February 4, 2014

TO: The Honorable Malama Solomon, Chair
Senate Committee on Water and Land

FROM: Gladys C. Baisa
Council Chair *Gladys C. Baisa*

SUBJECT: **HEARING OF FEBRUARY 5, 2014; TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF SB 3077,
RELATING TO THE MAALAEA SMALL BOAT HARBOR**

Thank you for the opportunity to testify **in support** of this important measure. The purpose of this measure is to appropriate funds for the capital improvement project at Maalaea Small Boat Harbor for the replacement of wooden finger piers along the south mole at the harbor, including the demolition of the existing piers and steel piles, installation of new aluminum framed piers, and new composite plastic fingering.

The Maui County Council has not had the opportunity to take a formal position on this measure. Therefore, I am providing this testimony in my capacity as an individual member of the Maui County Council.

I support this measure for the following reasons:

1. The Maalaea Small Boat Harbor provides access to ocean activities for our County residents and visitors. Maalaea is a popular harbor, and its proper maintenance will ensure continued access to recreational activities for residents as well as provide economic opportunity for commercial operators.
2. The funding will provide infrastructure improvements at the harbor. The funds will be used to replace deteriorated harbor elements and bring the harbor back to good working condition. The value of this project to our County is clear, and completion of the project will result in immediate improvements to the function and safety of our harbor.

For the foregoing reasons, I **support** this measure.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Mike Molina	Mayor Alan Arakawa	Support	No

Comments:

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February 4, 2014

TO: Honorable Malama Solomon, Chair
Committee on Water and Land

FROM: Robert Carroll
Council Vice Chair

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Robert Carroll".

DATE: Wednesday, February 5, 2014

SUBJECT: **SUPPORT SB 3077, RELATING TO THE MAALAEA SMALL BOAT HARBOR**

I support SB 3077 for the reasons cited in testimony submitted by the Maui County Council Chair, and urge you to support this measure.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Stacy Helm Crivello	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I support Maui County Chair Gladys Baisa testimony that was submitted earlier.

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