

LATE LATE TESTIMONY

From: [Tatiana Ferreira](#)
To: [JDL Testimony](#)
Subject: Strong Support for SB2083, Relating to the Statewide Traffic Code
Date: Tuesday, March 01, 2016 10:28:53 PM

Date: February 29, 2016

To: The Honorable Gilbert Keith-Agaran, Chair
The Honorable Maile Shimabukuro, Vice Chair
Members of the Senate Committee on Judiciary and Labor

The Honorable Jill Tokuda, Chair
The Honorable Donovan Dela Cruz, Vice Chair
Members of the Senate Committee on Ways and Means

Re: Strong Support for SB2083, Relating to the Statewide Traffic Code

Hrg: March 1, 2016 at 10:30am at Capitol Room 211

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Thousands of children breathe in secondhand smoke in their own homes and cars daily. Inhaling secondhand smoke is especially harmful because children's lungs are still developing. Every time they inhale secondhand smoke, they breathe in 7,000 chemicals, 200 of which are poisonous, and 50 are known to cause cancer.

Regular exposure to secondhand smoke can increase absenteeism for children, and even require trips to the hospital. Inhaling toxic smoke compromises their ability to perform well in school and engage in physical activity.

Smoke-free car laws, just like child safety seats, seat belts, and no cellphone use while driving laws, help to protect the health and safety of our children and are enforced in similar ways. Passing smoke-free cars into law will help decrease our children's exposure to secondhand smoke and educate parents and other adults about the dangers of smoking in a car when a minor is present.

Hawai'i has been a leader in protecting everyone from the dangers of secondhand smoke, I ask that you take this step to protect our children and young people from the harmful impacts of smoking in a vehicle.

I respectfully ask that you pass SB 2083, and help make Hawai'i the 8th state to eliminate smoking in cars when a minor is present.

Mahalo,

Tatiana Ferreira

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From: [Nora Usita, RN](#)
To: [JDL Testimony](#)
Subject: Strong Support for SB2083, Relating to the Statewide Traffic Code
Date: Tuesday, March 01, 2016 10:22:34 PM

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From: Jeyci Kaili
To: JDL Testimony
Subject: Strong Support for SB2083, Relating to the Statewide Traffic Code
Date: Wednesday, March 02, 2016 6:56:06 AM

Date: February 29, 2016

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LATE LATE TESTIMONY

From: Joseph Humphry
To: JDL Testimony
Subject: Strong Support for SB2083, Relating to the Statewide Traffic Code
Date: Tuesday, March 01, 2016 6:42:31 PM

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We need to protect our children, who have limited transportation options, from secondhand smoke. Our clean air laws already help protect children in public places--the most common places for secondhand smoke exposure are in private homes and vehicles. In a car, the smoke can be up to ten times more toxic than what the EPA considers unhealthy air quality, even when a window is down. This toxic smoke contains over 7,000 chemicals, including poisons and carcinogens.

Regular exposure to secondhand smoke can increase absenteeism for children, and even require trips to the hospital. This puts them at risk of serious conditions including meningitis, cancer, asthma, bronchitis, and pneumonia.

Smoke-free car laws are similar to seat belt, child safety seat, and cellphone driving laws. They are meant to protect the health and safety of our children and are enforced in similar ways. Passing smoke-free cars into law will help decrease our children's exposure to secondhand smoke and educate parents and other adults about the dangers of smoking in a car when a minor is present.

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Mahalo,

Joseph Humphry

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