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**SB1273**

Submitted on: 2/12/2017

Testimony for CPH/TRE on Feb 13, 2017 13:20PM in Conference Room 225

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Larry Veray	Pearl City Neighborhood Board Chair	Support	No

**Comments:**

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Tim Streitz	Moped Noise Mitigation Working Group	Support	No

Comments: Please see attached testimony in support of the bill.

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Rustan	Kauai Mopeds Inc	Oppose	No

Comments: please stop targeting moped owners, riders, and businesses in the State of Hawaii. these new moped laws only discourage people from owning and using mopeds on a daily basis. mopeds are a good form of alternative transportation for the people of the State of Hawaii and these laws only push people away from using mopeds and toward using less efficient gas guzzling vehicles.

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Manabo Sato	Moped Doctors Inc.	Oppose	No

Comments: Aloha Ladies and Gentlement of the State Govt. and Legislature, My name is Manabo Sato and I am the senior manager of Moped Doctors Inc, a major Hawaii/Oahu island moped dealer. We import roughly one third of all new mopeds sold on Oahu annually. I am testifying as a Hawaii Moped industry professional with nearly a decade of experience in this business. SB 1273 which proposes to control possible moped modification for speed/power increases and increases legal penalties for a moped dealer or repair shop is simply unnecessary. Considering the fact that a MAJOR law involving mopeds, HR 1753 (mandatory annual safety inspection and registration for ALL Hawaii state mopeds) was passed and took affect on January 1, 2017 statewide and it has not even been two months since the implementation of that law, it is simply TOO SOON to add more moped control regulations and statutes to the mix. As a moped industry professional, I will say that I have taken the moped safety inspection exam, passed and upon procuring the necessary insurance to finally implement our shop into being a inspection station, I fully intend to inspect each moped thoroughly and to the fullest extent of my technical abilities which includes catching any modified mopeds which led to the introduction of said law to begin with. Modified . loud two stroke mopeds , almost always created by unqualified home garage "mechanics" with parts bought online are not what I would consider a desirable customer segment for any moped shop and in truth have been singlehandedly fully responsible for almost all of the mischief and negative and inaccurate imagery behind mopeds over the years. We as a shop do not like this type of inaccurate stigmatizing image as ALMOST all moped riders outside of this small minority are regular, law abiding citizens looking to benefit from the advantages that a moped offers in our increasingly high cost of living state. A moped has a tiny carbon footprint compared to a car, gets 80mpg fuel mileage outpacing even a hybrid car , takes up very little parking space, and is an affordable form of transporation to the most hard pressed and vulnerable of our society, those who are economically challenged and yes, poor. Additonally, as an industry professional, I assert the follwing , that there is a high probability that if there had been more active and assertive police and law enforcement of EXISTING laws prior to HR 1753 involving excessively loud , fast and/or modified mopeds, the entire existence of HR 1753 would not have been necessary. In plain English, if the police kept pulling these loud

and fast offenders over and over and ticketed them and impounded their outlaw "bikes" before 1753 existed then there would be no need to be where we now are. Now that HR 1753 exists and with the moped safety inspection station set up as a line of defense against such modifications and changes, the state should allow those new safety inspection stations to DO THEIR JOB and disqualify any such moped that is discovered during the inspections. As one of the shops engaged in that line of defense, I ask that you allow us to fulfill the roles, responsibilities and powers given to us by HR 1753 before rushing through yet another piece of legislation concerning mopeds before even giving HR 1753 a real chance to truly work. The scope and strength of the already existing HR1753 makes SB 1273 largely redundant and unnecessary. Mahalo. Sincerely, Manabo Sato Senior Manager Moped Doctors Inc. email: info@mopeddoctors.com phone number/direct line 808-953-9438.

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