

SB824 SD1

Measure Title:	RELATING TO RENTALS OF MOPEDS AND MOTOR SCOOTERS.
Report Title:	Mopeds; Motor Scooters; Lexi's Law; Aftermarket Motor Modification; Rental Companies; Helmet Requirements; Violation
Description:	Prohibits operating a moped or motor scooter from any rental company unless the person wears a safety helmet that the rental company is required to provide or the person wears a safety helmet that is provided by the person; provided that this requirement does not apply to any person who possesses a valid license from any state to operate a motorcycle. Prohibits the rental of any moped or motor scooter with an aftermarket modification to its motor. (SD1)
Companion:	HB636
Package:	None
Current Referral:	TRS, CPH/JDC
Introducer(s):	BAKER, FEVELLA



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S.B. 824, S.D.1
RELATING TO RENTALS OF MOPEDS AND MOTOR SCOOTERS.

Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Health
Senate Committee on Judiciary

The Department of Transportation **supports** S.B. 824, S.D.1.

This bill, in part, prohibits the operating of a motor scooter and moped from any rental company unless the person wears a safety helmet provided by the rental company or person, although this requirement does not apply to a person who possesses a valid license from any state to operate a motorcycle.

In Hawai'i, according to State fatality data, during the calendar years of 2016 - 2018, of the 23 motor scooter and moped operator fatalities, 22 operators, or 96% of the operators, were not wearing helmets.

This bill will help to reduce the amount of these types of fatalities.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

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Submitted on: 2/25/2019 8:17:24 PM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Lisa Dau	Testifying for Keiki Injury Prevention Coalition	Support	No

Comments:

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Submitted on: 2/26/2019 7:50:25 AM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Melodie Aduja	Testifying for O`ahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawai`i	Support	No

Comments:

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Submitted on: 2/21/2019 2:33:44 PM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
MPLV	Testifying for Meal Prep Las Vegas	Support	No

Comments:

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Submitted on: 2/25/2019 3:07:18 PM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Adam Wilson	Testifying for Icon Tile	Support	No

Comments:

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Submitted on: 2/25/2019 1:44:14 PM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Tim Jenkins	Testifying for Lexislaw808	Support	No

Comments:

Please Pass SB824 as I am the Father of the beautiful young lady that passed away on a Scooter August 15, 2017 in Wailea next to the Emerald Course. My daughter was my golf partner and my only child.

Being 24 you are full of adventure, full of life and you have the world by the tail. Even though Lex was brought up wearing a helmet, I'm sure she felt that it would be safe to ride a scooter without a helmet since no helmet law is enforced in Hawaii. This is a false perception to all visitors renting scooters/mopeds. Hawaii is known for their many scooter/moped fatalities and accidents. Yet visitors wouldn't know the dangers of riding, as the awareness is not present on the islands.

I am respectfully requesting that Hawaii pass SB824 and protect our children. We have been given a life sentence without our child. I will never be able to walk my daughter down the aisle or have any grandchildren. We do not celebrate holidays anymore and we live by one moment at a time, a day is too long. That phone call on August 15, 2017 was the worst phone call a parent can receive. Congress has the power to save someone from going through what we have gone through. Please escalate and implement, I implore you.

There is so much data that supports a helmet law and the monetary benefits that the state often absorbs due to these types of accidents.

Saving someone's life, preventing head trauma, reducing the number of fatalities in Hawaii, saving the state from incurred medical expenses etc....

The well-published data supports this, I have to ask what could possibly hold this back from passing?

We recently learned that PONO means do the right thing in Hawaiian, I believe this holds true with this bill.

Regards,

Tim Jenkins

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Submitted on: 2/25/2019 11:26:10 AM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Donna Mauldin	Testifying for lexilaw	Support	No

Comments:

This law could save so many lives.Thank you,Donna Mauldin

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Submitted on: 2/20/2019 4:39:36 PM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Lois Crozer	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

There are a lot of tourists who rent motorized vehicles, I think it's common sense to require rentals of mopeds and scooters to wear helmets. I'd like to see motorized bike rentals as well. We see tourists falling into the street who aren't used to these bikes.

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Submitted on: 2/21/2019 8:43:41 AM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Felicia Sommers	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Submitted on: 2/21/2019 10:25:10 AM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Emily Dunham	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Submitted on: 2/21/2019 10:54:10 AM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Aundria	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support this testimony. It promotes safety and may prevent fatal accidents in the future.

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Submitted on: 2/21/2019 11:50:18 AM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Kaitlin Boyd	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

SB-824-SD-1

Submitted on: 2/21/2019 4:03:38 PM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Tamra Stevens	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Submitted on: 2/21/2019 11:39:51 AM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Sierra	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Submitted on: 2/21/2019 2:56:17 PM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Nicola Hommel	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Submitted on: 2/21/2019 1:12:53 PM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Kevin Roth	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

motorists need to wear helmet for safety

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Submitted on: 2/21/2019 12:42:14 PM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Stan Huls	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Too many people have died while operating mopeds and scooters from Hawaiian rental agencies. Hawaiian residents as well as tourists are being put at risk by absence of a mandatory helmet law. Moped and scooter operators who do not possess motorcycle endorsements on their drivers licenses lack experience and are considerably more at risk of injury and death from any accidents. Your vote in support of this bill WILL SAVE LIVES.

Stan Huls

srhuls@gmail.com

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Submitted on: 2/21/2019 8:54:00 PM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
makayla clark	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Submitted on: 2/22/2019 6:22:40 AM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
George C Anast	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Helmets should be mandatory for anyone without a license to operate a motorized 2 wheel cycle and scooter.

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Submitted on: 2/22/2019 8:48:00 AM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Sean Wilczak	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Submitted on: 2/21/2019 2:29:17 PM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Erika Hommel	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Submitted on: 2/22/2019 4:19:46 AM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Kim Corpus	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

To whom it concerns

I attest and witness to the painful ordeal my friends Tim and Danielle Jenkins have gone through losing their daughter, Alexis Jenkins, to a moped accident that could have been prevented had there been a helmet law in place. I support the governing authorities of Hawaii in the placement of such a law to protect its communities and visitors from all over the world in the future from the enormity of great trajedy and loss of human life. Thank you for your attention and timely response to Lexislaw.

Kindest regards,

Kim Corpus

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Submitted on: 2/22/2019 12:21:00 AM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Peggy Schecter	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Very important. This will save lives!

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Submitted on: 2/21/2019 11:38:29 AM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Brittany Hill	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I think this is a great idea considering all the accidents that have happened within the years. I fully support this.

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Submitted on: 2/21/2019 3:10:24 PM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
jim hommel	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Submitted on: 2/21/2019 10:18:56 AM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Peggy Seagren	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support the Lexi Law to save lives

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Submitted on: 2/22/2019 1:29:50 PM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Richard Michaels	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

On August 15, 2017, a young woman from California, riding a scooter right in front of my condo on Maui, was killed after colliding with a truck. She was not wearing a helmet.

SB824 targets untrained and unlicensed visitors by requiring scooter and moped rental companies to provide a helmet if the individual does not have one of their own. It specifically EXEMPTS anyone with a motorcycle license issued by any state in the U.S. Helmet laws have failed before in Hawaii because many local motorcycle owners don't want to wear a helmet. This bill EXCLUDES them. It aims at only the unlicensed, giving them a potential life-saving tool should they have an accident.

Please support SB824. It will save lives.

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Submitted on: 2/22/2019 3:41:33 PM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Nina Boatman	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

So many lives have been saved because of the helmet law in California. Please pass this law in Hawaii. Our dear friend Lexi may have been saved if she was wearing a helmet. People don't realize how extremely dangerous it is to ride a motorcycle or moped without a helmet.

Please Please Please pass this law!

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Submitted on: 2/23/2019 6:19:09 AM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Ryan Collins	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Submitted on: 2/24/2019 1:37:37 PM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Lesley Coulbourn	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Please require helmets, they save lives and eliminate the needless suffering of those left behind.

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Submitted on: 2/24/2019 4:41:42 PM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
leah totten	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Submitted on: 2/24/2019 4:46:16 PM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
adam blumgold	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Submitted on: 2/24/2019 4:51:33 PM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
mitch totten	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Submitted on: 2/25/2019 10:19:18 AM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
claudine	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I am supporting this bill in hopes that others do not have to lose a friend or family member as I did when, Alexis Jenkins, passed away. If this could even save one life it would be enough. Please pass this and require the use of a helmet!

Thank you,

Claudine Kilby

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Submitted on: 2/25/2019 10:19:44 AM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Leah Dawn Horn	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Lexi was a beautiful soul. A compassionate, giving soul. She was a lover of all life and humanity. She fought strongly for "good" and "right". I didn't know her long, but she was my friend. The world is less beautiful now that she's gone. She was 24 years old. She had these big, magical plans to travel, to help those in need and just make a difference in this sometimes cold lonely world. We were all so proud of her big heart. We looked up to Lexi. And she WOULD have made a difference. Absolutely. Most would say it isn't fair. Had it been mandatory that she wear a helmet, she would most likely still be with us. This law will not bring Lexi back. But it will absolutely help save the life of another big beautiful heart like hers. It could very well save YOUR loved one. Lexi still has a chance to make a difference. In her honor, I pray you...support this bill.

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Submitted on: 2/25/2019 11:43:44 AM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
George Hibbs	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I met Tim and Danielle Jenkins in San Antonio, Texas on December 19, 2017. In the course of our conversation, they related the heart-rending story of how they lost their only daughter in a tragic accident the previous August. It was a tragic reminder of how fragile and precious life is, and I believe that an accident like this could be prevented by something as simple as a helmet. Unfortunately, in the exuberance of youth, we sometimes fail to choose what is good and safe. We need a reminder, or a push. I urge you to pass SB824 to help protect our children, and to prevent other families from being torn apart by such a tragic event. Tim and Danielle don't deserve what they have to live with for the rest of their lives. We can't change that. But we can prevent other parents from having to experience the loss of their child. Please pass SB824. Thank you for the opportunity to give you all my opinion.

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Submitted on: 2/25/2019 12:12:57 PM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Tim Jenkins	Testifying for SB824	Support	No

Comments:

I Danielle Jenkins support Bill SB824 as this bill hits very close to home. We lost our only child Alexis Jenkins in a scooter accident in Maui August 15, 2017. Our daughter held a Black Belt in Tae Kwon Do, made the Varsity Golf team her Sophomore year of High School. Lex Modeled, Sang, did Yoga, snowboarded, snow skied, wakeboarded, water skied, solo skydiver, equestrian etc...Lex even ran for Miss California 2016. Most of these sports require lessons, helmets and special training. Yet there are no lessons, minimal instruction or a helmet law to protect our loved ones riding a two wheeled motorized bike that they are not familiar with when they visit Hawaii. Most visitors that rent moped and scooters have minimal to zero experience riding these motorized bikes. Hawaii requires a helmet to be worn on Construction sites, also their motorcycle police force wear a helmet for their safety. So the knowledge of helmet/hard hat PPE safety is there, just being ignored.

Our daughters Death certificate reads "Blunt Trauma to the Head". A couple days ago there also was another moped accident in Maui with Head Trauma. I'm unaware of the outcome of this young 25 year old man, but a head trauma can be prevented with the use of a helmet. The head is fragile, needs to be protected and all the data supports that a helmet helps saves lives.

The Hawaiian locals are very vocal on Social Media in regards to the importance of wearing a helmet. There is even a post where someone states references Moped/Scooter riders as "Organ Donors".

When these accidents happen it affects so many and knowing that some of these can be prevented, is incomprehensible.

This will not change our life but hopefully this bill if passed will change the fate of someone else's loved one. The pain is real, raw and deep!

We have almost 15,000 people that have visited lexislaw808.com. This website is raising the awareness on the dangers of riding a scooter/moped in Hawaii and the importance of wearing a helmet.

Because of the current infrastructure issues on the islands, I believe it is imperative to veer on the side of caution and be proactive in implementing a helmet law.

I am respectfully imploring Congress to do the right thing and move forward with this law.

Respectfully,

Alexis's Mom

Danielle Jenkins

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Submitted on: 2/25/2019 12:58:16 PM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Danielle Fournier	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I am a family friend of the Jenkins. I babysat Alexis (Lexi) when shes was a child and went on several vacations with the Jenkins family. She was a beautiful young woman with big dreams and a spirit that touched so many people. The loss of Alexis was and continues to devistate her family and friends. A tragedy that possibly could have been avoided.

I am writing to support the bill to require that moped riders wear helmets. It is absolutely necessary to protect the citizens of Hawaii and it's visitors from tragedies like what my friends have endured.

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Submitted on: 2/25/2019 1:08:24 PM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Marjorie Masalta	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I, Marjorie Masalta, am in support of SB824.

We have a responsibility as human beings to keep people safe when visiting or living on our beautiful islands. I have family that visit me from the mainland and I never thought for a second about them wearing a helmet when they rented a moped/scooter for a day. This has brought a new outlook on mopeds and their safety. The modifications alone being done on these two wheeled vehicle alone should be a big reason why either a helmet safety law should be implemented for those without motorcycle training. I have two sons that are motorcycle riders and have taken the necessary training both hold the necessary license to operate. Both sons are also motorcycle mechanics as well. Therefore, I have a clear understanding if a moped is modified to go beyond the limits in which they are intended. We are allowing non licensed operators on these two wheeled vehicles without any real training. The number the DOT provided is one too many lives lost in these deaths that some could possibly have been prevented had they been wearing a helmet.

The Jenkins paid the ultimate price in losing a child. They lost their ONLY child. No one should have to suffer that loss. No parent should have to out live their children let alone their ONLY child! We are losing too many visitors and people from our own community to something that could maybe prevent the death of a loved one or your loved one living the rest of their lives with a traumatic brain injury.

With that said, I support SB824 and if this saves one life our efforts have made a difference on my beautiful islands.

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Submitted on: 2/25/2019 1:11:15 PM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Paul Sippel	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I, Paul Sippel, am in support of SB824.

I witnessed the outcome of Lexi's accident first hand. I covered her body. I know that a helmet would not of changed the outcome of this horrible blot on Maui. But for the sake of the next son or daughter that thinks a moped/scooter would be fun, because how hard could it be, make them go home safe. Make them wear protection if they are not licensed. Let us be the uncles and aunties who look out for our Ohana in spite of ourselves.

I have been on two wheels since I was 8 years old. that would make 41 years of riding, both on and off road. I began working at a motoX park in CA at age 11 and know first hand that helmets save lives.

That being said, I don't believe that a licensed driver of a motorcycle should be forced to wear a helmet. that is specifically because this person has the proven knowledge to be licensed and as such can make an informed decision.

An amateur rider is another story. They may have background in riding a motorized two wheel vehicle, but we definitely know they have not been proven educated enough to make an informed decision regarding the safety of both themselves and others. This is made even more important when you combine the fact that mopeds\scooters do not operate in the same manner as most other cycles. With the lowest center of gravity of almost any motorized cycle it is neither smooth nor graceful. It is underpowered when traveling roads with full size vehicles. A strong cross wind will push you easily and almost every renter of a scooter/moped probably has no knowledge of this.

If you truly do not wish to wear a helmet, be licensed to ride.

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Submitted on: 2/25/2019 1:40:06 PM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Jacob Canada	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I, Jacob Canada, support SB824.

I am a seasoned and licensed motorcycle rider and mechanic. As such, I believe helmets need to be worn especially on the mopeds that are rented due to most of the people renting them have little to no experience riding any kind of two wheeled motor vehicle. Even seasoned motorcycle riders know the dangers and wear helmets. Let alone a green horn with zero experience. If there isn't a law maybe all the local rental companies should just do it for the sake of their customers/ riders.

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Submitted on: 2/25/2019 1:53:37 PM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Carolyn Jansen	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

THIS BILL SB284 MUST BE PASSED!!

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Submitted on: 2/25/2019 2:04:45 PM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Sunny Juarez	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support SB824

I strongly believe a helmet law for moped/scooter rentals in Hawaii will save lives. There is enough research that supports this. People renting moped/scooters are usually inexperienced with riding two wheeled motorized bikes, protecting their heads from head injury and or death should be a priority.

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Submitted on: 2/25/2019 2:12:11 PM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
destiney	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Submitted on: 2/25/2019 2:26:24 PM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Kayla Davidson	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

My cousin was killed by a moped accident and something needs to be changed so it will stop happening and save someones life,

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Submitted on: 2/25/2019 12:58:15 PM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Julie Gragg	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support SB824 and would like to see a mandatory helmet law for moped/scooter rentals. Coming from a background of dirtbike/motorcycle riders, personal protective equipment is necessary for the experienced rider and imperative for an inexperienced rider. Anything less would be foolish!

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Submitted on: 2/25/2019 3:09:53 PM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
susan mattal	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

please pass Lexi808 helmet law !!! I know in years to come there will be many more motorcycle, rental moped fatalities on the islands and this is not acceptable!!!! We are homeowners of two properties at Papakea Resort on Maui and have seen our fair share of moped accidents over the years that are fatal and the people are not wearing helmets!!! Absolutely unacceptable this day and age !!! Lexi was an incredible young women who had a whole life ahead of her !!! and is dearly missed by her family and friends. Lexi could have been saved if the business that rented her the moped while on vacation on Maui was required by LAW to wear a helmet that they provide for every single person that rides & rents on the Hawaiian Islands and was reinforced by the law , then maybe we can now start saving some people's lives !!ðŸ˜€Thank you for pushing this law through ASAP!!! Susan Mattal

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Submitted on: 2/25/2019 5:24:20 PM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Linette Knuedler	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I have been riding motorcycles for over 50 years. I would never ever ride without a helmet and do not know why anyone would, especially considering their sole purpose is "to protect the rider's **head** during impact, thus preventing or reducing **head** injury and saving the rider's life" (Wikipedia).

We would never want another family to feel the pain and suffering that Tim & Danielle Jenkins have endured with the loss of their beautiful daughter Lexi.

Please pass this very necessary law so as to protect the often innocent and generally unskilled General Public while on vacation in beautiful Hawaii. Thank you very much.

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Submitted on: 2/25/2019 5:42:34 PM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Jennifer Smith	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Submitted on: 2/25/2019 6:04:54 PM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Donna Farr	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

SB824 should be passed to prevent unnecessary, horrible accidents leading to brain injury and/or death.

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Submitted on: 2/25/2019 7:06:58 PM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
David Hill	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Hello, my name is David Hill. My wife Lisa and I have been to Hawaii many times. The last few trips have been to the beautiful inland of Maui. On our last visit we notice how many scooters were on the road and that 90% of the riders did not wear a helmet. My wife and I ride a harley and will allways wear a helmet. We have seen to many crashes where riders did not wear helmets and they either died or will never be the same person they were before. Our last trip to Maui we did see two scooters collide with each other. To many visitors of Hawaii who rent these bikes have never even been on a bike. Hawaii needs to pass this bill and keep visitors safe. The Hawaiian islands are so beautiful it is hard to keep your eyes on the road and not the surroundings. I urge you to pass this bill to protct your visitors. Thank You David & Lisa Hill

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Submitted on: 2/25/2019 6:58:04 PM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
diana walton	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

It has been proven that the smallest of falls on a bike can cause A person to sub stain a severe and life-threatening head injury .we have laws to wear helmets on Bikes it makes sense to enforce laws to protect our love ones when riding mopeds and scooters

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Submitted on: 2/25/2019 9:27:31 PM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
melani crawford	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Lexi is the beautiful daughter of my long time high school friends. I could not imagine losing one of my daughters. Please pass this safety bill to keep motored vehicle drivers safe.

Thank you

Melani Crawford

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Submitted on: 2/25/2019 9:15:03 PM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Jason Canada	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I, Jason C., am in support of SB824 for a safety helmet law for the State of Hawaii.

I am a certified motorcycle mechanic and rider. I took serious training to obtain my motorcycle license. On a motorcycle you need to be aware at all times and anticipate what other drivers will potentially do on the road. Weather conditions on our islands can be extreme. Mopeds/scooters are pushed around by wind or a passing vehicle. Without the proper training or safety gear operating a two wheeled vehicle can be extremely dangerous. I don't believe they are receiving this training when renting a moped/scooter. If we are going to allow these rental companies to rent these two wheeled vehicles, modified or not, we need this Bill to pass and keep all visitors as safe as possible and I don't believe a helmet is too much to ask.

Please pass Bill SB824

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Submitted on: 2/25/2019 9:03:42 PM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
hailey davidson	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support this cause. Many lives can be saved if this bill is passed.

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Submitted on: 2/26/2019 8:33:55 AM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Robert Dillender	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

This law is common sense, we are required to wear a seat belt for safety, and we should be required to wear a helmet for the same reason. Statistically we have proof that people are dying in accidents that could have been prevented if they wore a helmet, we can literally save lives with this law. I have a valid motorcycle license and I would NEVER ride without a helmet, and anyone who opposes this law opposes common sense and safety.

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Submitted on: 2/26/2019 8:50:27 AM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Sandra Auwelo	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Aloha

Having worked in the ER and for the trauma program since 2005, I have seen far too many unnecessary injuries and deaths due to motorcycles and mopeds, including close family and friends. Many of these could have been prevented had the operator worn a helmet. Tourists come here and rent mopeds without particularly being skilled in operating a moped and more so, without knowing our roads. I ardently support the requirement of helmets for moped riders, this can only save lives. Residents have vehemently rejected helmet laws for decades, but if we target just moped rentals it may get passed and save at least some lives, especially those who are not used to operating mopeds on a daily basis and are not knowledgeable of our roads. Of 23 motor scooter and moped operator fatalities from 2016-2018, 22 operators were not wearing helmets. Helmet use can reduce the risk of death by 42 percent. Requiring helmet use with rentals can and will save lives. Thank you for your time and consideration.

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Submitted on: 2/26/2019 9:58:19 AM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Ron Schecter	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Submitted on: 2/26/2019 8:14:01 AM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Chauntell Arwood	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I full heartedly support this bill. My family went through one of the worst experiences that anyone should have to go through. Seatbelts are a law to help prevent death, the same should be for helmets. The number of moped, scooter and Motorcycle deaths in Hawaii is extremely sad and some could have been prevented. Visitors that come to Hawaii should still be able to experience new ways of travel, but with safety requirement to help them come back home safely.

Again, I plead with you to pass this bill so it can be prevented for family to have to experience what we did when our loved one did not come back home. We will always miss Lexi.

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Submitted on: 2/26/2019 4:21:11 AM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Pamela Dobson	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support SB824.

Wearing a helmet might save a life.

Please pass this bill

Thank you

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Submitted on: 2/25/2019 10:33:56 PM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Brooke Rodriguez	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Submitted on: 2/26/2019 11:58:02 AM

Testimony for CPH on 2/27/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
KeriGreenwood	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Please pass the bill to save lives. I have lost a family member Lexi, and my heart goes out to her parents. I would want anything possible to be done to keep family and friends from going through this. This law just makes comon sense, please pass it.