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S.B. 615, S.D. 1, H.D. 1
RELATING TO RENTALS OF MOPEDS AND MOTOR SCOOTERS

House Committee on Judiciary and Hawaiian Affairs

The Department of Transportation (DOT) **supports** S.B. 615, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, which requires the use of helmets by motorcycle, scooter and moped operators, as well as require rental companies of such vehicles to provide safety helmets to their customers.

A helmet law will reduce the amount of head injuries and fatalities for these types of roadway users. According to the Department of Health's Hawaii Injury Prevent Plan 2012 to 2017, properly worn helmets prevent deaths and brain injuries. In the event of a crash, helmets reduce the risk of death by 42 percent and the risk of a head injury by 69 percent. From 2014 through 2016, 782 un-helmeted motorcyclists and moped operators were transported by Emergency Medical Services to hospitals for treatment.

According to the Fatality Analysis Reporting System, there were 20 motorcycle, motor scooter, and moped fatalities in 2019. Of those, 14 operators or 70 percent were not wearing helmets.

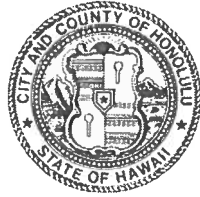
The DOT believes that it is unnecessary to include amendments to Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS) Section 286-81 (b) and Section 291C-206 (a) in the bill. HRS Section 286-102 defines licensing requirements for operators of mopeds, motor scooters and motorcycles and HRS 291C-206 prohibits the modification of mopeds. Hawaii Administrative Rules 19-131 governs the equipment required on a moped.

Lastly, both HRS Section 286-2 and HRS Section 291C-1 currently defines motor scooters as a motorcycle with a motor which produces not more than five horsepower but excludes a moped. As such, it is unnecessary to duplicate the full definition for motorcycle for motor scooters in the amendment to the definitions in HRS Section 291C-1 and HRS Section 291C-1.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

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The Honorable Mark M. Nakashima, Chair
and Members
Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs
House of Representatives
Hawaii State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street, Room 325
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chair Nakashima and Members:

**SUBJECT: Senate Bill No. 615, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, Relating to Rentals of Mopeds
and Motor Scooters**

I am Walter Ozeki, Major of District 7 (East Honolulu) of the Honolulu Police Department (HPD), City and County of Honolulu.

The HPD supports Senate Bill No. 615, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, Relating to Rentals of Mopeds and Motor Scooters, with concerns.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in addressing motorcycle safety has clearly stated that "the single most effective way for states to save lives and save money is a universal helmet law." The statistics supporting the lifesaving, injury mitigating, and reduced economic costs associated with helmet wearing are clear. In 2020, Oahu experienced 11 fatal and 14 critical motor vehicle collisions involving either motorcycles, mopeds, or bicycles. Of those 25 collisions, 23 of the victims were not wearing a helmet.

Mopeds and motor scooters are highly accessible to the younger segment of the population. Due to the low cost of renting a moped and/or motor scooter, it is also very attractive and sometimes the only alternative transportation for visitors to our islands. This combination of young and inexperienced operators and those unfamiliar with our roadways provide for a risky situation that is only amplified by the lack of required safety equipment

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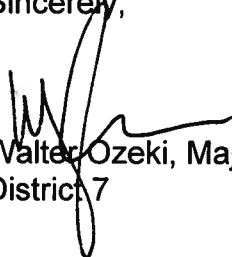
While the Honolulu Police Department supports the intent of the bill, there are specific areas of concern. This bill applies to only a specific segment of the riding public. It will require the wearing of a safety helmet only to renters or lessees of mopeds and motor scooters. Our concern is that rented or leased mopeds and motor scooters would have to be easily recognizable and distinguishable from one that is not being rented or leased in order for police to conduct a valid traffic stop to investigate the violation.

In addition, Section 8 prohibits the rental or leasing to another person a moped or motor scooter that has aftermarket modifications to the motor that increases the power capacity of the motor above two horsepower. It is unclear how or by whom this provision will be enforced as actual horsepower measures are never taken and specialized equipment would be required.

The Honolulu Police Department urges you to support Senate Bill No. 615, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, Relating to Rentals of Moped and Motor Scooters, with the aforementioned concerns.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Sincerely,



Walter Ozeki, Major
District 7

APPROVED:



Susan Ballard
Chief of Police

April 6, 2021

Representative Mark M. Nakashima, Chair
Representative Scot Z. Matayoshi, Vice Chair
Members of the House Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs

RE: SB615 SD1 HD1 Relating to Rentals of Mopeds and Motor Scooters. - **SUPPORT INTENT with AMENDMENT**

AAA Hawaii will **Support Intent with amendments** SB615 SD1 HD1. This bill requires operators who rent mopeds or scooters to wear helmets. It excludes motorcycle renters. We generally support universal helmet laws and consider its use to be an important and effective traffic safety counter measure in saving lives and preventing serious injuries. While SB 615 SD1 HD1 is a great start, we respectively request the following amendments to ensure the law meets its intended objective.

Apply the law to all moped and motor scooter users. There is limited data to demonstrate moped and motor scooter renters are riskier operators than owners. In contrast, there was a 2014 Florida study of 5,660 moped and scooter crashes that found a greater proportion (55.7%) of severe injury crashes occurred among those who reported owning their vehicles. (Miggins, 2014)

We are also concerned singling out renters both limits the effectiveness of any helmet law in Hawaii and challenges law enforcement officials with the impossible task of having to recognize the difference between renters and owners. Both these issues can be addressed by making this helmet law applicable to everyone.

Require all motor scooter passengers wear helmets. Motor scooters can travel up to 40 mph in Hawaii. Bodies tossed from a moving vehicle at high speeds without protective headgear could be just as dangerous as a pedestrian being hit by a moving vehicle. Motor scooter operators and passengers are both equally at risk of serious injury or fatality in most collisions.

Unfortunately, helmet use is generally extremely low in Hawaii even though moped and scooter travels can be as dangerous as driving cars. Hawaii Department of Transportation's (HDOT) 2018 Highway Safety Plan found helmet use among moped riders was around 16% compared to 59% for motorcyclists in 2015. (HDOT, 2018) A undeniable fact is that unhelmeted riders have an increased chance of serious injuries and poorer hospital outcomes.

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AAA Hawaii strongly supports the Hawaii Strategic Highway Safety Plan's (2019-2024) recommendations for motorcycle, motor scooter and moped safety. This report calls for the implementation of a universal helmet law in Hawaii and policies that ensure for "clarity, consistency and efficiency" in regulating motorcycles, motor scooters and mopeds. SB615 SD1 HD1 should be amended to come closer to these recommendations.

AAA Hawaii was founded in 1915 in Honolulu and is a leader in motorist services and a strong advocate for traffic safety. With almost 170,000 members in Hawaii and 60 million nationwide, service to and the safety of our members, other motorists, and all road users is our founding and continuing purpose. Helmets alone cannot prevent traffic safety collisions, but they can act as the last line of defense for motor scooter and moped operators in preventing serious trauma. From seat belts to helmets, all road users need to stay ready for the dangers around them. We share Chair's effort to road safety and appreciate his legislative objective. AAA Hawaii is ready to fully support SB615 SD1 HD1 with these requested amendments.

Sincerely,

Liane Sumida

Liane Sumida
General Manager

References

Makesha Miggins, M. L. (2014). *Mopeds and Scooters: Crash Outcomes in a High Traffic State*. The Journal of Trauma: Injury, Infection, and Critical Care.

Hawaii Department of Transportation. (2018). *Hawaii 2018 Highway Safety Plan*. State of Hawaii.

SB-615-HD-1

Submitted on: 4/1/2021 10:27:10 AM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Laurie Crosson	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support Lexi's Law! Please pass SB615!

Thank you

SB-615-HD-1

Submitted on: 4/2/2021 7:09:14 AM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Cheryl Sund	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support SB615 and urge you to do the same.

SB-615-HD-1

Submitted on: 4/2/2021 7:26:56 AM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Jill Hoagland	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support SB615. Such a positive law. I know it will save lives.

SB-615-HD-1

Submitted on: 4/2/2021 7:35:58 AM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

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

Comments:

Of course I support Lexi's Law, SB615. This law can save lives!

Thank you,

Richard Crean

SB-615-HD-1

Submitted on: 4/2/2021 7:40:45 AM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Deanna Mejia	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support Lexi Law SB615 100%. Let's save lives!!!

SB-615-HD-1

Submitted on: 4/2/2021 7:42:10 AM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
michelle avalos	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support Lexi law SB615!

SB-615-HD-1

Submitted on: 4/2/2021 7:48:45 AM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
rae mierke	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support SB615/Lexi's Law. As a motorcycle rider and frequent visitor to Hawaii, I have never had issue with being asked to wear a helmet while operating a two wheeled vehicle, and believe it is essential for inexperienced riders and riders unfamiliar with the roads/traffic laws of a region to wear helmets. Please save lives, please have rentals/unlicensed riders wear helmets!

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Submitted on: 4/2/2021 8:12:51 AM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
MaryAnn Gillen	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support Lexi's Law SB615 in remembrance of a beautiful soul who is happy and grateful for all of the support of the people who wish for legislation that a helmet be worn while renting and riding a motorized vehicle for safety.

SB-615-HD-1

Submitted on: 4/2/2021 8:38:04 AM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
randy simpson	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support Lexi's Law SB615. Having been a motorcycle rider since the 2nd grade, I know the downside of NOT WEARING a helmet while riding a motorcycle. It doesn't matter how long you have ridden the day will come when you go down. Be that your fault or someone else's.

Every state should have "Some kind of helmet law!" Especially for those who have not been trained on how to ride a motorcycle or moped. They are the rider most likely to make a simple mistake or mis judge a situation and find themselves in a life or death situation.

Simply put.....help those who don't know they need a little help. Pass SB615 and have "Some Sort Of Helmet Law."

SB-615-HD-1

Submitted on: 4/2/2021 9:02:11 AM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Michael James Clarke	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Dear Representative Nakashima,

I am writing to humbly request that the JHA Committee please pass SB615 Lexi's Law.

Our good friends Danielle & Tim Jenkins tragically lost their beautiful daughter Lexi in a moped accident in Maui on August 15, 2017. Unfortunately, she was not wearing a helmet that may have hopefully saved her life.

I personally have been riding motorcycles for over 50 years now. 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).

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

Michael (aka Mick) Clarke

SB-615-HD-1

Submitted on: 4/2/2021 9:03:37 AM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

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

Comments:

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Donald Knuedler

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Submitted on: 4/2/2021 9:05:04 AM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

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

Comments:

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Linette Knuedler

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Submitted on: 4/2/2021 9:51:46 AM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
helene martin	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I fully support the passing of Lexi's Law. SB615

please do not let her death be in vain. Let something good come from this tragedy and
SAVE OTHER LIVES!

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Submitted on: 4/2/2021 11:27:51 AM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Cheli Baguio	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support Lexi's Law SB615

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Submitted on: 4/2/2021 12:01:16 PM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

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

Comments:

I support Lexi's Law SB615.

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Submitted on: 4/2/2021 12:07:37 PM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

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

Comments:

My name is Brittany Hill and I support SB615. I support this because when people are on vacation they think they are invincible and of course just want to let loose and have fun. But the problem is we need to keep people safe while they are doing this. I believe that helmets for Moped rentals should become a law. I think this will save lives and a lot of families from the hurt they suffer after losing someone from these tragic accidents.

Respectfully,

Brittany Hill

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Submitted on: 4/2/2021 3:34:50 PM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

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

Comments:

I support Lexi's Law SB615.

Thank you, Julie Gragg

SB-615-HD-1

Submitted on: 4/2/2021 5:21:44 PM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

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

Comments:

Il support Lexi's law. This is very important and I believe will save many lives. Thank you, Donna Mauldin

SB-615-HD-1

Submitted on: 4/2/2021 7:12:56 PM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Renee Meehan	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support this bil 100% Pkease pass Lexi's Law. It can only save lives!

Thank You

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Submitted on: 4/3/2021 11:07:27 AM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Alice Tavidagian	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I fully support Lexi's Law and I would love to see this law get passed. So that no other family members and friends have to suffer losing a loved one like we did. We would greatly appreciate it! Thank you so much!ðŸ™• ðŸ• »

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Submitted on: 4/3/2021 12:29:11 PM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

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

Comments:

I wholeheartedly support the passing of Lexi's Law, SB615, in the hope that it will prevent tragic loss of life for others.

Sincerely, Donna Farr

SB-615-HD-1

Submitted on: 4/4/2021 5:18:08 AM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
karen simpson	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Aloha,

I am in strong support of Lexi's Law SB615. My husband was in a serious motorcycle accident and I honestly believe a helmet saved his life. There are many lifesaving measures put in place and this is one that should be implemented immediately! Way too many people have lost their lives unnecessarily and could've been saved from possible death and/or head injuries.

Sincerely,

Karen Chastain Simpson

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Submitted on: 4/4/2021 5:34:01 AM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Maureen Campbell	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I strongly support Lexi's Law SB615! Raising three boys on dirt bikes, it was always mandatory to wear a helmet and personal protective equipment to help save them from possible death and/or serious injuries. These are motorized contraptions that have already caused a lot of fatalities and head injuries in Hawaii. To not fix this serious problem and not come to a solution year in and year out is problematic. People being fatally injured or seriously injured should be of great concern to all. Please pass SB615!

Respectfully,

Maureen Campbell

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Submitted on: 4/4/2021 8:10:35 AM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Tim Jenkins	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

The Honorable Mark M. Nakashima, Chair

and Members

Committee on Judiciary and Hawaiian Affairs

House of Representatives

Hawaii State Capitol

415 South Beretania St., room 325

Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear Chair Nakashima and Members,

SUBJECT: LEXI'S LAW SENATE BILL NUMBER 615

I am Timothy JENKINS the Father of ALEXIS JENKINS that perished August 15, 2017 in Wailea, Hawaii. I am imploring you and the committee to pass SB615. I strongly believe that a helmet law for moped/scooter rentals can and will save lives and prevent head injuries. These are motorized bikes that are known to the islands as being dangerous and often referenced as being a "Death Traps" on Hawaiian Roadways. Moped/Scooter renters usually have little to no experience riding these motorized type of contraptions and are not familiar with the Hawaiian roadways and infrastructure.

To protect novice renters fragile heads with a helmet would definitely be a worthy cause, too many families so they do not suffer like we do every second of every day.

I have seen some concern with testimonies as to how to enforce a helmet law for just moped/scooter rentals? I believe a simple sticker that is required on all rental scooters could clearly define the difference between a rental and a Hawaiian resident owned moped/scooter.

I am confident that all parents and loved ones, would appreciate Hawaii showing respect and doing the right thing by placing a helmet on the renters heads.

Construction workers wear a Hard Hat , seatbelts are enforced and many more safety measures are in place to protect! If we were to go back 10 years how many moped/scooter fatalities have occurred on the islands? How many head injuries? How many more people have to die or encounter brain damage, when they can easily be protected?

Thank you for your time and compassion, it is very much appreciated!

Respectfully,

Timothy A. Jenkins

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Submitted on: 4/4/2021 8:37:08 AM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

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

Comments:

I am asking from the bottom of my heart to please pass this LAW SB615 so many people should not be dead.... Lexis Law

McKenzie Seagren

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Submitted on: 4/4/2021 8:40:02 AM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Gary Busey	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

My name is Gary Busey, on dec 4th 1988 I was on a Harley Davidson went around the corner and hit dust and gravel ad the motorcycle went down and I went over the handle bars and split my head open, I was not wearing a helmet. I landed in the feet of a police officer and he called paramedics that were one block away. They came very quickly and took me to Cedars Sianai in Los Angeles. I have a massive traumatic brain injury. called a sub dema hematoma, the surgery was successful and my life is very thankful. I realized at that time that the helmet law must be mandatory all over the world. I went to Washington dc and met wet senator Orin hatch, John McCain, Ted Kennedy Bill Frist and the volume of the other Senators. I express my experience to them and the language I used became the advocate language of the traumatic brain injury act which President Clinton signed into order in 1996. My purpose here to you in charge of laws in the great state of Hawaii is to pass the helmet law as a mandatory law for riding motorcycles, bicycles, skateboards, roller blades, mopeds, and scooters.

***This is very important for the riders and the families,
Your head which sits on top of your neck is a
computer and everything you do in life. In passing in
this HELMET LAW you will be a Hero a motivator and
a "safety champion" It is to be done for the safety of
mankind and the human race. Pray about your
decision and you will understand what a
Humanatarian I have become, God Bless you all
PASSING THE LAW***

***You will create a miracle and a blessing for everyone
by passing the law. I say this by looking threw my
spiritual eye and I believe and know that life is forever.
Please pass sb615***

Gary Busey

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Submitted on: 4/4/2021 8:50:21 AM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

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

Comments:

I am begging you make this an actual law Please!!! SB615 TOO MANY KIDS AND ADULTS HAVE DIED...LEXI STILL SHOULD BE HERE WITH US

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Submitted on: 4/4/2021 12:42:09 PM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Jack Nordby	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

To the Honorable Mark Nakashima,
and all attending this very important hearing.

Aloha from Jack Nordby,

As a 10 year resident of Maui County, and a lifelong motorcycle rider, I have personally observed many moped and scooter riders who I can be certain had little to none moped or motorcycle experience or skills.

Far too many times these people are also not wearing helmets which in my opinion, could save their lives in the always unexpected changes that will take place when riding a motorized scooter . I cringe when I see them because it automatically reminds me of the tragic end that Alexis Jenkins met on what appeared to be a safe road in the Wailea Makena area of Maui County.

Neither Alexis or anyone else who has come here and died on a moped/scooter, expected to leave in a body bag. The beautiful memories of our little paradise, are quickly changed into tragic thoughts of horror, when a family member or friend meets an untimely death here, and one that could have been avoided, if it was just a matter of being required to wear a helmet.

Because of my passion and pain of what happened to Alexis Jenkins, any law passed that would require helmets to be worn by inexperienced riders, that could and would prevent injuries and/or death from an accident, is so essential for those who want to enjoy Hawaii on a moped/scooter.

It is my personal desire and hope to see Lexi's Law Bill SB615 overwhelmingly passed to begin the process of protecting the lives of residents and visitors alike.

Thank you for hearing my voice on this matter. Please feel free to call me at 808 419-8184. I am also willing to testify by Zoom if that would be helpful. My email is jacknordby@hotmail.com

Mahalo in the Spirit of Aloha,

Jack Nordby

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Submitted on: 4/4/2021 7:09:31 PM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

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

Comments:

I cannot even begin to explain the heartache my family has gone through. There is not one reason this bill should not be passed. We have seatbelt laws for a reason, to save lives. There should be a helmet law as well.

Lexi was an outgoing, beautiful soul with a full life ahead of her. Losing her was so hard on so many people and we are still suffering and always will. But we hope this law will be passed to prevent other families from going through what we did.

I wholeheartedly support this bill and hope you all do as well.

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Submitted on: 4/4/2021 7:23:32 PM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

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

Comments:

I support bill SB615. I urge you to pass this bill unanimously.

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Submitted on: 4/4/2021 7:26:25 PM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

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

Comments:

I support SB615. Please pass this bill. Helmets save lives just like seatbelts.

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Submitted on: 4/5/2021 4:02:22 AM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Laura Leon	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support Lexi's Law!

SB-615-HD-1

Submitted on: 4/5/2021 4:14:18 AM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
amanda garcia	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support lexis law SB615!

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Submitted on: 4/5/2021 4:16:29 AM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

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

Comments:

I support SB615.

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Submitted on: 4/5/2021 4:20:43 AM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

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

Comments:

I support Lexi's law SB615

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Submitted on: 4/5/2021 4:26:36 AM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
casie dunbar	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support Lexi's Law SB615

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Submitted on: 4/5/2021 5:01:47 AM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Melanie Nebeker	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support Lexi's law SB615

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Submitted on: 4/5/2021 5:09:47 AM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Lacey powers	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support Lexi's Law SB615.

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Submitted on: 4/5/2021 5:12:25 AM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Jeannette Larson	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support 'Lexi's Law' SB615.

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Submitted on: 4/5/2021 5:41:12 AM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
courtney parlanti	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support Lexi's Law, SB615!

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Submitted on: 4/5/2021 6:36:01 AM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
stephanie webb	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support Lexi's Law SB615.

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Submitted on: 4/5/2021 6:43:16 AM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
kristen shaner	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support Lexi's Law SB615.

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Submitted on: 4/5/2021 6:58:00 AM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
mckenna davis	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I agree with Lexi's law sb615 it will save future lives

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Submitted on: 4/5/2021 7:15:39 AM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Jessica Hoffman	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support Lexie's Law SB615

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Submitted on: 4/5/2021 7:22:51 AM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Karlyn Jones	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support Lexi's Law, SB615.

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Submitted on: 4/5/2021 9:07:53 AM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Eduardo Mejia	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I fully support Lexi's Law , SB 615.

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Submitted on: 4/5/2021 9:22:28 AM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
brenda williamson	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support SB615! Thank you!

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Submitted on: 4/5/2021 9:27:26 AM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Trish Strickland	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I fully support this law. Something so simple can save valuable lives!
Please pass this in Honor of Lexi... she deserved so much more.

Thanks for your consideration,

Trish Strickland

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Submitted on: 4/5/2021 9:32:21 AM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Makenna Sharp	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support this bill.

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Submitted on: 4/5/2021 12:08:12 PM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

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

Comments:

Dear Honorable Mark M. Nakashima, Chair and Members Committee on Judiciary and Hawaiian Affairs House of Representatives,

Aloha and thank you for your time, support and efforts with consideration of passing Lexi's Law SB615.

Our precious daughter passed away on a scooter August 15, 2017 in the Makena area in Hawaii. Alexis had little to zero experience riding a motorized bike prior to her accident and her precious head was not protected by a simple helmet. Our daughter was athletic and very gifted in so many ways and most often those sports required personal protective equipment aka PPE. PPE is implemented for safety measures, as well as some laws that have been put in place to save lives and prevent injuries. This law can also inhibit state expenses, unnecessary emergency services and emotional trauma from such a tragic event.

Our lives will never be the same and our only wish is to help save others from experiencing our every second of everyday anguish. We believe that implementing a helmet law in Hawaii is an easy feat and a reasonable request. Please do the right thing and protect our loved ones heads. We are imploring you!

Thank you again!

Respectfully,

Danielle Jenkins

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Submitted on: 4/5/2021 12:15:05 PM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Michael Ferreira	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

My name is Michael Ferreira and am a motorcycle rider for over 40 years. I have seen the statistics and riding without a helmet is not a good idea due to other drivers on the road. But if you are an adult and licensed, it should be your freedom and decision. When renting a motorcycle, a license is required and again, should be the rider's choice. As for rental scooters and mopeds where no license is required, there is no way to measure that person's competence that a license would provide. I support this Bill but limiting it only to unlicensed moped and scooter renters with the helmet and eye protection being provided by the vendor. Thank you for allowing me to testify.

Michael Ferreira

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Submitted on: 4/5/2021 12:43:03 PM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Halie O'Ryan Mederios	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Aloha to the people of this court who are graciously giving us your time . My family has been on Oahu , Maui, and Big Island for many generations. Through the years i have pulled over and cared for many injured moped riders, and so have a few of my cousins. I have seen several moped accidents where the rider did not make it very likely due to no helmet. Our tourists are generally wonderful people who are just really happy and inspired by the island beauty, but not focused on just the road. Instead, they are often focused on the Hawaiian road names, being a little lost, seeing new things, experiencing many different cultures -all driving very intensely around them, while they try to safely site see.

I want people to still have the option to tour our islands on a moped, but helmets really need to be mandatory for our guests. I ride a moped in Kaimuki and i ride my 2004 Heritage softail for bigger distance rides following in the footsteps of my Tutu and Granpa Mederios who are in the picture attached in this testimony. If you look close , my tutu is driving in a dress, grandpa smiling on back and you will see Diamondhead without houses in the background. The picture is from the 30s. They were members of Hawaii bike club and raised me to be safety aware. Islanders love each other and loss hurts especially when it can be prevented. The ground is hard and not forgiving. Even with a helmet and good cloths things can happen, but the chance of survival greatly improves w safety gear. As my Ohana has always said.... Paying attention and knowing the roads is second, driving defensively is third, first, is to dress to survive a crash.

As much as i love my hair flying free in the wind, after hitting the ground myself on Diamond head road when a tourist in a car crossed into my lane, i learned that Helmets do really save lives, prevent face injuries , protect teeth, and give you another chance to enjoy another day. Please pass Lexis Law and protect our distracted tourists. Keep them on normal non modified mopeds so they can travel at safer speeds. If a rider needs more speed , then they can make the efforts to get skilled and acquire a motorcycle license like we have all had to do as our riding education expands. Thank you so much for your time on this. We cant bring back Lexi, who was a magnificent person, but we can save someone from preventable tragedy in the future .

Halie O'Ryan Mederios



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Submitted on: 4/5/2021 12:57:05 PM

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Tim Silkey	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support this law.

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Submitted on: 4/5/2021 12:57:51 PM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Jeanie Silkey	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support this law

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Submitted on: 4/5/2021 1:06:12 PM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

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

Comments:

I am a retired military who has witnessed moped crashes in Hawaii throughout the years from distracted tourists as well as our servicemen and women temporarily stationed on island. It is my belief that it is long over due to require safety gear such as helmets to support the possibility of survival after a crash. If you dont have a motorcycle license or training, really this should be a safety requirement. Mahalo for truly hearing our hearts on this matter. We have lost so many to head injury. Please pass this bill and keep our loved protected.

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Submitted on: 4/5/2021 1:35:02 PM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
marvie kelly	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I was born and raised on Oahu and our Ohana goes back many generations including moped and motorcycle riders. It breaks my heart every time I see non-experienced riders suffer head injuries or death due to no helmet. Our locals with license can make their own choices, but tourists are so vulnerable in this new environment. Please pass this law - after all of our losses, COVID and endless other challenges, from here forward we truly need happy stories ahead. Mahalo for your time. Let's pass this law !!

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Submitted on: 4/5/2021 4:03:17 PM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
briana gilbert	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support Lexi's Law SB615!

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Submitted on: 4/5/2021 6:42:23 PM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
kara wooten	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support SB615!

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Submitted on: 4/5/2021 6:45:50 PM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Nicole Harrel	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support Lexi's Law SB615

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Submitted on: 4/5/2021 6:50:27 PM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Sara Church	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support Lexi's Law SB615!

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Submitted on: 4/5/2021 6:51:57 PM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Rachel Peres	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support SB615 and strongly feel that this should have been in place prior to this.

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Submitted on: 4/5/2021 6:55:27 PM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Irene Soto	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support Lexi's Law SB615

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Submitted on: 4/5/2021 7:00:05 PM

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
JC Rosero	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support Lexi's Law, SB615.

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Submitted on: 4/5/2021 7:04:47 PM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Zach Cummings	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support lexis law SB615

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Submitted on: 4/5/2021 7:09:22 PM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

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

Comments:

Like they say in Hawaii: 'Pono'. Let's 'do the right thing' & pass SB615 & help others save lives!

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Submitted on: 4/5/2021 7:26:49 PM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Amy Thies	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support Lexi's Law!

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Submitted on: 4/5/2021 7:27:31 PM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Tessa Andersen	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support Lexi's law SB516!

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Submitted on: 4/5/2021 7:31:40 PM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Jordan Trimble	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support Lexy's law, SB615

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Submitted on: 4/5/2021 7:32:53 PM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
lauren basch	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support Lexi law sb615

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Submitted on: 4/5/2021 7:37:27 PM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

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

Comments:

I support Lexi's law SB615

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Submitted on: 4/5/2021 7:40:09 PM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

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

Comments:

I support lexis law sb615!

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Submitted on: 4/5/2021 8:36:53 PM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

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

Comments:

I support this bill

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Submitted on: 4/5/2021 8:59:26 PM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Lachlan Rowan	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support Lexi's Law SB615.

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Submitted on: 4/5/2021 10:43:45 PM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Cassie Rogers	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support Lexi's Law SB615!

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Submitted on: 4/5/2021 11:26:37 PM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

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

Comments:

This bill will save lives Please vote yes.

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Submitted on: 4/6/2021 1:55:57 AM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Shannon Houser	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support Lexi's Law

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Submitted on: 4/6/2021 3:25:12 AM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
katherine pitt	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support lexis law!

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Submitted on: 4/6/2021 5:31:30 AM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Chanel Williams	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support SB615

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Submitted on: 4/6/2021 5:32:01 AM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

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

Comments:

Please pass SB615 Lexi Law

Thank you

Jennifer Martin

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Submitted on: 4/6/2021 5:58:09 AM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
john francisco	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support this bill.

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Submitted on: 4/6/2021 7:58:33 AM

Testimony for JHA on 4/6/2021 2:00:00 PM

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

Comments:

I support Lexis law sb615