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**Testimony COMMENTING on H.B. 1903 H.D. 1
RELATING TO DATA ABOUT SNORKELS AND MASKS**

SENATOR CLARENCE K. NISHIHARA, CHAIR
SENATE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND
MILITARY AFFAIRS

Hearing Date: 3-15-2022 1pm Room Number: 229/VideoConf

1 **Fiscal Implications:** Funding estimated at \$100,000 would be needed for the Department of
2 Health to implement this measure including, medical records system changes, training and data
3 analysis and reporting. The Department requests that passage of any appropriations in this
4 measure does not replace or adversely impact priorities indicated in the Department's
5 supplemental budget request.

6 **Department Testimony:** The Department of Health supports the intent of H.B. 1903 H.D. 1
7 that requires first responders to record in the incident report for each water rescue event the type
8 of snorkel and mask, if any, worn by the person who was rescued or recovered. The Department
9 is providing comments in regard to emergency medical services only.

10 Every year an average of 66 Hawaii residents and visitors experience snorkel related drowning
11 events. Approximately twenty are fatal. Understanding snorkel use can lead to better public
12 health messaging and improvements in snorkel design.

13 For data to be collected, analyzed, and reported, changes need to be made to our existing pre-
14 hospital emergency medical services (EMS) record system to collect the additional data.

15 Providing EMS personnel a convenient way to document in the pre-hospital medical record is
16 preferred.

17 Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.

HB-1903-HD-1

Submitted on: 3/13/2022 9:24:25 AM

Testimony for PSM on 3/15/2022 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Andrea Loasby	Individual	Support	Remotely Via Zoom

Comments:

IN SUPPORT OF HB1903

I am testifying in favor of HB1903. This bill was introduced in honor of my dad, David Loasby, who died due to using a full-face snorkel mask at Chang’s Beach in Maui this last December. During the search for my father, every first responder I communicated with mentioned significant concerns about full-face snorkel masks and explained that they’ve been seeing an increase in drownings for those using full-face snorkel masks throughout the last several years. Once the search for my father concluded, I wanted to know how many people have died while using full-face snorkel masks versus standard snorkels and masks in Hawaii but was told this data is not currently collected in a meaningful way or available for analysis.

Collecting this data is crucial to analyzing and responding to the risk related to specific snorkeling equipment.

Please vote to pass HB1903 including the funding necessary for data collection so data-driven change can be taken to avoid other families from experiencing the pain mine and many others unfortunately have.

Andrea Loasby

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Submitted on: 3/13/2022 10:04:25 AM

Testimony for PSM on 3/15/2022 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Mathew Speer	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

IN SUPPORT OF HB1903

Senator Clarence K. Nishihara, Chair,
Senator Lynn DeCoite, Vice Chair,
Committee on Public Safety, and Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs,

I, Mathew Speer, testify in favor of HB1903. After being personally affected by the tragic death of my father-in-law I strongly feel it is imperative to have data on snorkeling equipment for incidents related to rescues and recoveries including deaths and those who are never recovered. Without this information it is impossible for the Hawaii Dept. of Health to assess the risk of equipment, such as full-face snorkel masks versus standard masks and snorkels, or take action on the presumptive risks. While I understand this will not change the past I believe this is Hawaii's opportunity to lead the way in ocean safety.

Please vote in favor of HB1903 and funding for updates to the Hawaii Department of Health's system to allow for snorkeling equipment data collection and analysis.

Kind regards,

Mathew Speer

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Submitted on: 3/13/2022 3:34:23 PM

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Cathy Janssen	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Please pass this bill to save future lives.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Eric Loasby	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support this bill, you should as well. Please help save lives by holding faulty, snorkel-gear manufacturers accountable. Thank You

Senator Clarence K. Nishihara, Chair

Senator Lynn DeCoite, Vice Chair

Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs

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Marcy Clarke

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Theresa Ady	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha,

Im in support of bill HB 1903.I think this is a important step and think the information gatherd from data about these mask could help save lives. Thank you for your time an considering this bill.

Theresa Ady

HB-1903-HD-1

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jacquelyn Taylor	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

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Jacquelyn Taylor

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Robert Clark	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

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Thank you for your consideration

Robert E Clark

HB-1903-HD-1

Submitted on: 3/13/2022 3:26:31 PM

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Catherine Loasby	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

PLEASE HELP SAVE LIVES BY PASSING THIS BILL! My husband suffocated using a full face snorkel mask. (I watched him go into the water and he never came back.) He was a certified scuba diver, avid swimmer and experienced snorkeler. He thought the full face masks were supposed to be the "best of the best." He just wanted to try it out. After four days of intense search & rescue, the Coast Guard, Fire Department, Ocean Safety & Police Dept. never found his body. This data really needs to be collected to determine how many deaths are caused by these masks to have them taken off the market. Mahalo!

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Donna Richardson	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

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Donna Richardson

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Katelyn Maher	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

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Katelyn Maher

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Carl Michalewski 3/14/22

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HB1903

DATE: 3/15/2022

TIME: 1:00 p.m.

IN SUPPORT OF HB1903

I am deeply saddened by the necessity to testify in support of SB3206. David Loasby was a friend of mine who recently drowned wearing a full face mask. In the hope of preventing more tragedies of this kind as happened to David and his surviving family, it is imperative to have data on snorkeling equipment for incidents related to rescues and recoveries including deaths and those who are never recovered. Without this information it is impossible for the Hawaii Department of Health to assess the risk of equipment, such as full face snorkel masks versus standard masks and snorkels, or take action on the presumptive risks.

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Suzann Lavington-Speer	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

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Thomas L. Powers, PhD

Professor
Collat School of Business
The University of Alabama at Birmingham

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Theodore Meyer	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

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Theodore Meyer

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Kimberly Burger	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

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Please vote in favor of HB1903 and funding for updates to the Hawaii Department of Health's system to allow for snorkeling equipment data collection and analysis.

Thank you for supporting this bill. It will ultimately save many tourists from the devastation of a loved one drowning while visiting our state.

Kim Burger

LATE

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Please vote in favor of HB1903 and funding for updates to the Hawaii Department of Health's system to allow for snorkeling equipment data collection and analysis.

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March 14, 2022

LATE

Senator Clarence K. Nishihara, Chair

Senator Lynn DeCoite, Vice Chair

Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs

IN SUPPORT OF HB1903

Aloha Senator Nishihara and Senator DeCoite,

My name is Julie Urbon. I'm reaching out to *strongly* urge you to pass HB1903.

HB1903 would require first responders to document what snorkel equipment is used during snorkeling rescue and recovery incidents. This information is not currently collected in a consistent or standardized manner which prohibits the Dept. of Health from understanding the true risks of full-face snorkel masks.

This bill was introduced in honor of David Loasby, who died while using a full-face snorkel mask in December 2021. I was there with his family just before the incident occurred. I see daily the pain this has caused his family. Not just that he lost his life, but the anger knowing it very well could have been prevented. Since the tragedy, we have found that it is known through studies on these masks that carbon dioxide can build up inside the mask and can render the user unconscious. But apparently no one is willing to definitively say that there is a direct link to increased drowning because sometimes the information collected is not complete. This seems like such a basic request... when a snorkeler dies, document what type of equipment the victim was using. Collecting this data will more clearly bring into focus the risk to both visitors and locals. A study can only go so far. The study show that there are concerns. The most critical data unfortunately is collected after the fact. So, it's essential that this information be thoroughly documented.

I strongly support HB1903 because it would allow the Dept. of Health to collect reliable data, determine whether or not full-face snorkel masks contribute to the number of snorkeling drownings in Hawaii, and take action on their findings. If there is a link, we should be informing the locals as well as tourists of the hazards of those masks. Many tourists who come to the islands only snorkel a few times a year and don't know a great deal about the differences in the masks that are sold. There are snorkel tours on Maui that ban those masks on their boats. Why would they do that if they didn't see the connection? They are the ones most familiar with the equipment. And yet the masks are sold widely. A beautiful vacation turned into a horrific nightmare because "not enough information is there to conclude those masks are dangerous" ? Then we need to collect the information! It's simply one more question for first responders to ask to be more thorough. I think it sends a horrible message if the state is unwilling to take a simple step to protect locals and the tourism industry.

Please consider voting in favor of this bill as it is the critical next step in reducing the rates of drownings and aquatic injuries.

Mahalo,



Julie Urbon

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HB-1903-HD-1

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Jessica Varsek	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

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Sincerely,

Jessica Varsek

LATE

HB-1903-HD-1

Submitted on: 3/14/2022 3:03:12 PM

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Megan Wasserman	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

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Megan Wasserman

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Jane Speer	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I am testifying in favor of HB 1903. It is imperative to have data on snorkeling equipment for incidents related to rescues and recoveries, including deaths and those who are never recovered. Without this information, it is impossible for the Hawaii Department of Health to assess the risk of equipment, such as full-face snorkel masks versus standard masks and snorkels, or take action on the presumptive risks.

Please vote in favor of HB 1903 and funding for updates to the Hawaii Department of Health's system to allow for snorkeling equipment data collection and analysis.

Thank you,

Jane Speer

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Robert Speer	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

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Robert Speer

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Jon DeSmidt	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

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Jon DeSmidt

LATE

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Josh Hufford	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

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IN SUPPORT OF HB1903

Certain accidents are preventable. That is why I am testifying in favor of HB1903. Requiring equipment data to be tracked in connection snorkeling incidents has the potential to save lives.

Without this information it is impossible for the Hawaii Dept. of Health to assess the risk of equipment, such as full-face snorkel masks versus standard masks and snorkels, and take action to help protect Hawaii's residents and visitors.

Please vote in favor of HB1903 and funding for updates to the Hawaii Department of Health's system to allow for snorkeling equipment data collection and analysis.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

Josh Hufford

LATE

HB-1903-HD-1

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Emilee Kaminski	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

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Emilee Kaminski

LATE

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Brenda Biese	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

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