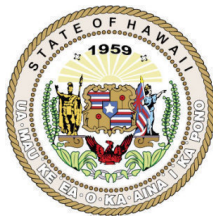


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TESTIMONY ON HOUSE BILL 892, HD 1  
RELATING TO SMALL BOAT HARBORS  
Before the House Committees on Finance  
Tuesday, February 28, 2023; 10:00 a.m.  
State Capitol Conference Room 308, Via Videoconference

**CORRECTED**  
**WRITTEN TESTIMONY ONLY**

Chair Yamashita, Vice Chair Kitagawa, and members of the Committee:

The Department of Law Enforcement (DLE) supports House Bill **892, HD 1**, and offers suggested clarification language.

This bill complements the DLE's vision of building strong partnerships with the community and first response agencies for addressing community-wide challenges that impact community welfare. The DLE understands that funding is needed to build up the state law enforcement presence in our communities and supports the funding opportunities provided by this bill. However, the current language will limit the use of the funds when law enforcement and security is needed in the community and not just the harbors. To remedy this limitation, we would like to suggest clarification that the security language in section 1 be amended to read as follows (proposed addition is underscored):

SECTION 1. There is appropriated out of the general revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2023-2024 and the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2024-2025 to provide security at small boat harbors, including the hiring of three permanent full-time equivalent (3.0 FTE)

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positions to be assigned to provide law enforcement  
and security presence in the community and at small  
boat harbors within the county of Maui.

The sums appropriated shall be expended by  
the department of law enforcement for the purposes of  
this Act.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of this bill.

**HB-892-HD-1**

Submitted on: 2/26/2023 8:37:22 PM

Testimony for FIN on 2/28/2023 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Denver Saxton Coon	Trilogy Corporation	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

As a long-time user of the small boat harbors within the county of Maui, Trilogy is fully aware of the importance of providing security at these locations. Small boat harbors are not only used for recreational activities, but also for commercial and business purposes, which play a critical role in the local economy. Additional security is much needed and would go a long way in ensuring the safety of harbor users and vessels. Please pass this bill to provide additional security at Maui's small boat harbors.

**HB-892-HD-1**

Submitted on: 2/28/2023 8:29:46 AM

Testimony for FIN on 2/28/2023 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Ryan Hall	Maui Adventure Cruises Inc	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support this bill

we need security to prevent vandalism and theft

**HB-892-HD-1**

Submitted on: 2/28/2023 8:22:06 AM

Testimony for FIN on 2/28/2023 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Matthew Cockey	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Lahaina Harbor needs funding for security guards to keep visitors and workers safe. The harbor desperately needs proper maintenance of the restrooms, finger piers, pilings and other infrastructure. Mahalo!

**HB-892-HD-1**

Submitted on: 2/28/2023 8:28:25 AM

Testimony for FIN on 2/28/2023 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
John Patti	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Please pass.

unsanitary, un safe, intimidating and dangerous situations are frequent and weve watched thes for to many years. Staff security guard positions at Maalaea and Lahaina harbors asap.

**HB-892-HD-1**

Submitted on: 2/28/2023 8:30:48 AM

Testimony for FIN on 2/28/2023 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Lacey Bryant	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Lahaina habor really needs this security.

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Submitted on: 2/28/2023 8:31:42 AM

Testimony for FIN on 2/28/2023 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Emily Johnston	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

We need security in the harbor! As a long time Captain in Lahaina harbor, I have called 911 on multiple occasions. Please support all of us who work in Lahaina Harbor, we need a safe place to work and need to be safe when using all harbor facilities. I know of too many people who have been threatened/harassed while simply trying to do their job or use harbor facilities, or simply don't feel safe walking thru the harbor areas in the dark (whether early morning or evening). Mahalo!



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Submitted on: 2/28/2023 8:44:39 AM

Testimony for FIN on 2/28/2023 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Stephen Trimeloni	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Lahaina harbor would really benefit from having security on site. Things are stolen from dock boxes. Bikes have been taken. The public restrooms have been destroyed. I know that all the problems the harbor faces may not be resolved by this but without a doubt the presence of security can only help. Thank you for your time.