

**HB-892**

Submitted on: 2/8/2023 6:18:29 PM

Testimony for WAL on 2/9/2023 9:30:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
JNovel808	Reefdancer	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support HB892 because our harbors have an ongoing problem with acts of vandalism and destruction of state and private property in the harbors. I work in Lahaina and it is a constant problem from drug users, homeless, and others with emotional problems. I have witnessed theft and destruction and seen nothing done despite filling out police reports. Please have security officers placed in the harbors to reduce this.

Thank you.

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Submitted on: 2/8/2023 7:24:23 PM

Testimony for WAL on 2/9/2023 9:30:00 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, Ttilogy 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.

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Testimony for WAL on 2/9/2023 9:30:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
William Mitchell	Reefdancer	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support this HB892 bill please fallow Through with it the lahaina needs alot of help with the making a safe harbor for the workers and visitors to come to the bathrooms are falling apart and Some of the boat pairs are about to drop into the ocean .



Aloha, my business Blue Water Maui **supports HB892** along with about a dozen team members and their families.

The security (and general) conditions at Lahaina Harbor and Mala Boat Ramp are both unsafe and unsanitary. The constant harassment by drug users is a huge nuisance to all users of these facilities. Just last week we had two brand new batteries stolen by homeless tweakers from our booth in the Harbor, we often find drug needles thrown into our booth, and we have video of them throwing them into the waters. Tweakers defecate everywhere at both Mala and Lahaina Harbor and we even had an attempted rape by a homeless tweaker last year in the bathrooms at Lahaina Harbor and there have been viscous assaults by homeless drug abusers at Mala Ramp (often against each other). And guess what, it's the same people EVERY night. I know because I have recorded video of them EVERY Night.

These failures of civility fall squarely on the shoulders of our elected officials and the so called "enforcement" and "judicial" branches. But, it's the hardworking people that pay your tax salaries that have to live with the consequences of ineptitude. Not only is it a legislative failure, but an enforcement failure as well. I've never seen DLNR enforcement at Lahaina Harbor or Mala at night and can count on one hand the number of times we see them during the day. On the rare occasion they show during the day, they are only there to give local boaters a hard time and they NEVER address the safety issues and the zombies passed out in public parking spots with broken down cars leaking oil in the ocean.

Lahaina Harbor and Mala Ramp generate more Harbor Tax and GET than any harbor in the State, yet you spend NOTHING to improve our facilities and they are terrible.

Please see a random selection of attached pictures...

Please help,

Micah Miles  
President / CEO  
Blue Water Maui LLC  
808-214-1356



NO  
PARKING  
ANY  
TIME  
→

TOW-AWAY  
ZONE

FOR RECOVERY

NO  
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STATE OF HAWAII  
DLNR/DOB  
HAR-13-230-4

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LOITERING  
STATE OF HAWAII  
DLNR/DOB  
HAR-13-230-4



NO PARKING







This homeless lady is always washing her crotch at the wash down station!



NO  
PARKING  
ANY  
TIME

TOW-AWAY  
ZONE

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YUKON



NO  
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ANY  
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TOW-AWAY  
ZONE



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2K





Motion Alert

Vehicle detected on Sea Monkey Floodlight Cam at 01:21 AM.

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TOW-AWAY  
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DLNR/DOB  
HAR-13-230-4



NO PARKING







BURIAL  
SITE  
KEEP OUT





BURIAL  
SITE

This car sat at Mala leaking oil for over a week before it's was removed.





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NO  
LOITERING

Benjamin  
Morgan



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NO LITTERING

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Testimony for WAL on 2/9/2023 9:30:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Sylwia Dulian	Sail maui Clark enterprises	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support HB 892!

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Submitted on: 2/9/2023 8:57:22 AM

Testimony for WAL on 2/9/2023 9:30:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Zachary LaPrade	Quicksilver Charters	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Dear Honorable Members of the Hawaii State Legislature,

We at Quicksilver Charters, a small boat harbor business located in Lahaina, Maui, are writing in strong support of the bill to provide additional resources for the Department of Law Enforcement to patrol the small boat harbors in the county of Maui.

The recent incidents of vandalism, property damage, and theft at the small boat harbors have had a significant impact on our business and the safety of our customers. The lack of enforcement has created an environment of insecurity and uncertainty for small boat harbor businesses like ours.

We believe that the allocation of funds to hire three additional permanent full-time equivalent (3.0 FTE) positions for the Department of Law Enforcement will greatly improve the safety and security of the small boat harbors in Maui, and provide much-needed peace of mind for small business owners like ourselves.

As a valued member of the Maui community, we understand the importance of ensuring a safe and secure environment for all who visit and work at the small boat harbors. The provision of these additional resources will not only benefit small business owners but also the customers who visit and enjoy the small boat harbors.

Thank you for considering our testimony in support of this important bill. We are eager to see the positive impact it will have on the small boat harbors in Maui.

Sincerely,

Zachary LaPrade

On behalf of Quicksilver Charters in Lahaina



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Submitted on: 2/9/2023 9:02:09 AM

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Amanda Mason	Sail Maui	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Always a good idea to have some more security, especially in the evenings.... lots of young ladies and gentlemen working the evening shifts, and there have been instances of strange happenings.

May I add, we would love some dumpsters too :)

Mahalo for your time,

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Submitted on: 2/9/2023 9:15:14 AM

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
lee james	Luakini Marine Inc	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha Honorable Disicisson Makers,

I am the owner of a Lahaina harbor boat business established in 1984. I believe this bill if passed will be a large bang for the buck for the state and great relief to all that visit and work in the harbors. The rise in vandalism and decrease sense of safety in this public space has decreased the earning potential for harbor and GE tax for the state and its business. The vandalisim to public areas is a continual scar to the positive experience that the sate and it's people try to promot. Police assets are commonly required to maintain order and secure safety. This bill is low hanging fruit to rectify many of the problems that pleague our beautiful harbor. Thank you for listening and your unbias wisdom.

Sincerly, Lee James/ Luakini Marine Inc.

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Testimony for WAL on 2/9/2023 9:30:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Chuck Eleban	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

The harbors have almost no enforcement! Things are constantly getting broken into and vandalized and this is the first thing tourists see when they come off the boat to visit our island! Any thing we can do to get more guys on hand to actually patrol these places and deter people from loitering around, destroying property and just making a nuisance of themselves cause they know they're gonna get away with it can only be good!

Strong Support!!!

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Submitted on: 2/8/2023 4:47:26 PM

Testimony for WAL on 2/9/2023 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Kathryn MacKenzie	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha e Chair Ichiyama,

I am testifying in **strong support** of this bill. The small boat harbors on Maui are a vital part of our communities. As of now there are not enough law enforcement officers to make these public spaces safe. This measure would begin the process of making our small boat harbors a place where all can know they will have protection from criminal activity. Thank you for hearing this measure, please keep local Maui families who frequent the small boat harbors in mind when voting on this measure.

Malama pono

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Submitted on: 2/8/2023 4:49:16 PM

Testimony for WAL on 2/9/2023 9:30:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
kuhio K.	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support this much needed measure! Our harbors have little to no enforcement, with DOCARE unavailable being stretched far to thin when our entire county also encompasses Lanai and Molokai. This measure will allow our small boat harbors to once again be safe for the public and allow us to better utilize these public utilites, whether that be for commercial or recreational use.

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Submitted on: 2/8/2023 5:56:01 PM

Testimony for WAL on 2/9/2023 9:30:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Heidi Speedie	Individual	Support	Remotely Via Zoom

Comments:

Aloha. Please listen to this bill and consider the reasons the Lahaina harbor needs this. We have videos and letters in support of this bill by boat captains, crew, reservation operators, boat owners and will gather from customers too.

The harbor is our life from fish to eat, fish to look, at a way to ride waves, a means to see other islands, get a better view of the sunset, look back on the west Maui mountains and show our aloha and teach visitors more about why Hawai'i is so special.

The harbor workers and boat operators will gladly give you more information. We have been asking for help for years (while paying our fees) about deteriorating conditions and improvements, but haven't been listened to and finally someone is speaking up on our behalf and we appreciate it and hope you hear them out on our behalf.

Thank you

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Submitted on: 2/8/2023 5:56:27 PM

Testimony for WAL on 2/9/2023 9:30:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Rachel Nguyen	Crew at Lahaina Harbor	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I as a crew at Lahaina Harbor support this Bill HB892.

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Submitted on: 2/8/2023 5:59:21 PM

Testimony for WAL on 2/9/2023 9:30:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Zac Blotter	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha I would just like to add my voice to this dialogue, in support of keeping more of the money into the small harbors that is being generated there. There are many small businesses in the harbor, who are putting our best foot forward, serving the guest to come to visit, showing them our Hawaii. the bathrooms at the harbor are not Hawaii's finest. They can be a little embarrassing to bring friends and family and our guests who are visiting from out of state. I personally have seen cleaner restrooms at multi day festivals that are just out houses . I believe our harbors department are doing all they can to try and keep up however, many of our unhoused community are trashing our facilities faster than they can be maintained. I think if we were to have some more staff or funded to have more staff available to assist with cleaning or monitoring the restrooms we could limit the damage and put a much better foot forward. For many of the folks who arrive via cruise ship this is their first impression of Lahaina in Maui and it's not a good one. Mahalo for your time.

zac



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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Arielle De Versterre	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I work in the harbor at multiple companies and I falling support this bill

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Submitted on: 2/8/2023 6:11:44 PM

Testimony for WAL on 2/9/2023 9:30:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Keolani Hill	Individual	Comments	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I think Lahaina Harbor is in desperate need of attention and funding. The residents, workers, and visitors would all appreciate a little more amenities, working toilets being one.

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Megan Hedley	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I stand by HB892.

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Testimony for WAL on 2/9/2023 9:30:00 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 desperately needs funding for full time security guards for the safety of our guests and the people who work in the harbor. The public restroom has been neglected to the point that it is not only an embarrassment but a health hazard. Most toilets are clogged, broken or missing, and there is often excrement on the floor. The slips and pilings are in dire need of attention. Thank you.

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Testimony for WAL on 2/9/2023 9:30:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Kevin Kahaialii	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support HB 892. I work at the Lahaina Small boat harbor and am sick and tired of the constant thief's and constant drinking by homeless in the area. They have no respect for others patronizing the amenities of the harbor.

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Submitted on: 2/8/2023 8:51:29 PM

Testimony for WAL on 2/9/2023 9:30:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Bryson Oliveira	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Being a long time boat operator in Lahaina Harbor I have seen the degradation of it facilities first hand. Not only it's physical infrastructure, but the safety of the people who work there.

Especially into the night when the transients and drug users show up. I have cleaned up more than a few dirty needles which posed a bio hazard to the public. We need security down there.

Thank you

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Testimony for WAL on 2/9/2023 9:30:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Justin Dunagan	Laser focused restoration	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I've worked in Lahaina small boat harbor for twenty six years and I support HB892 we all need more security in these times. Thanks for the opportunity to give a opinion.

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Submitted on: 2/8/2023 9:02:15 PM

Testimony for WAL on 2/9/2023 9:30:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Andrew Raak	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support law enforcement and I think the community would benefit with a security presence in Lahaina harbor, Maalaea Harbor, and the Mala Boat ramp. The growing number incidents in these incidents would be reduced by having a police presence in the harbor.



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Testimony for WAL on 2/9/2023 9:30:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Melvin Stout	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I have worked in Lahaina Harbor for 20 years. We desperately need better security! Please pass this bill!

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Submitted on: 2/8/2023 9:10:33 PM

Testimony for WAL on 2/9/2023 9:30:00 AM

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

Comments:

I've worked at the Harbor for many years, and as situations and homeless residents change, we see all kinds of security problems. Boats have been vandalized broken into ,vandalized in the night. We found feces on the ground in the strangest places in the public areas of the harbor there constantly people rummaging through the dumpsters and depositing that rubbish all over the walkways adjacent to the parking lot. There's no security of any sort of course the Maui police respond. but I never see them come on the state property. We've had coworkers, harassed by people all along the waterfront at Lahaina Harbor and Maalaea after hours in the night having some security guards, and holding back some of the criminal trespass and harassment activity would sure help with employee retention for some of these tour operators, who are the bulk of the income for these small harbors. please pass HB892. Thanks a lot for your support.

Hello my name is Jessica Kaliszewski, I work in the harbor in Lahaina HI. I am supporting HB 892 to enforce the three new positions going to be available for having a safe and functional bathroom facility.

The facilities have not been up to standards as the homeless population have continued to Vandalize the facilities for the public use.

I fully support the bill to be passed.

Sincerely,

Jessica Kaliszewski

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Submitted on: 2/8/2023 10:13:42 PM

Testimony for WAL on 2/9/2023 9:30:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Myka Phillips	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha,

My name is Myka Phillips I work out of Lahaina Harbor. I support this bill because there are many necessary and evident improvements that can be made to make our harbor safer, cleaner, and more conducive to both business and individual citizens. I believe passing this bill will provide the resources so desperately needed in Lahaina Harbor.

Thank you for your consideration,

Myka

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Submitted on: 2/8/2023 10:45:56 PM

Testimony for WAL on 2/9/2023 9:30:00 AM

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

Comments:

I support HB 892

we need security at the harbor

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Submitted on: 2/8/2023 11:07:15 PM

Testimony for WAL on 2/9/2023 9:30:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Jaymee Castro	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

The small boat harbor in Lahaina is in desperate need of repairs. As a long time employee at the harbor I am almost ashamed at times. From the cracked asphalt, to the dilapidated booths, the dangerous half sunk finger piers, to the most atrocious restrooms I have ever seen. This harbor sees so much tourism and generates so much revenue its sad to see how neglected its become.

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Testimony for WAL on 2/9/2023 9:30:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Iwa Shaw	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha! I live in Lahaina and work at Lahaina Harbor. I support this bill because I believe that a consistent officer's appearance would make a big difference in the cleanliness and use of the Public Harbor restrooms in Lahaina as well as help manage the homeless population that likes to stay in the area.



## **Jill Mickelsen**

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February 8, 2023

RE: HB 892 -- SUPPORT

To Whom It May Concern:

I wish to submit the following testimony in support of HB 892.

I have been a commercial boat captain in Lahaina Harbor for over 30 years. I also have had slip for my sailboat in the back row of Lahaina Harbor for 20+years. Things have certainly changed. This morning when I walked around, there was only ONE light working – the rest have been vandalized. I often arrive in the early morning and find homeless people in the harbor parking lot or inside a booth or on benches; And cannot even count the times I have found syringes, empty alcohol bottles, and other paraphernalia in booths, and the parking lot.

What is truly more unacceptable is this activity is occurring right next to King Kam III elementary school!! Our littlest keiki are subjected to this on a daily basis. No child should have to see alcohol bottles/syringes or homeless people next to the fences of the school! First moto of the Kam III, school is “SAFE” – let’s keeps them safe as well as all the harbor slip holders, whether commercial or private.

Today, I saw the dumpsters had been removed. So plies of trash were thrown on the street where the dumpsters should have been. Not only is this unsanitary, but probably in violation of environmental laws; AND right next to the Kam III drop off gate, so our little ones had to walk by it. We teach our keiki to take care of the Aina.

The lock on the chain for harbor parking was once again vandalize (weekly occurrence) and broken.



Bottom line:

Owners of private vessels pay harbor fees and parking fees, and get no security.

Commercial operators pay harbor fees, parking fees, and have to charge customers a 3% “sales tax” for doing business/usage for a slip, and don’t even have a safe dock to load them. All those funds go to the “general fund” which Lahaina Harbor never sees. So security YES and we could use a little more help before a passenger or boat owner falls through a dock -- huge state liability; OR a commercial operator can no longer operate, loses his/her business and the state is out 3%.

And finally, do we not have an obligation to our youngest keiki?

Thank you in advance for your time and effort.

Aloha,

Jill Mickelsen

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Testimony for WAL on 2/9/2023 9:30:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Silas Carpenter	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha,

I support the HB 892 Bill 100 percent as a harbor worker. This historical and busy harbor deals with massive amounts of tourism with access cruises and shuttle busses along with local schools learning about our protected wildlife. Please appropriate funds to maintain the busiest commercial harbor in the state and security guards to manage a safe place for the kids, the workers, the locals, and the tourism.

Mahalo,

Silas Carpenter

Naturalist and Diver.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Peter Colombo	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

**To Whom it May Concern,**

**I'm a Native Hawaiian business owner here at Lahaina Harbor and I'm providing testimony on the overall quality of the Lahaina Harbor facility and appropriation of funds.**

**Our docks are rotting and falling into the water without any plan of repair. There are extended periods of time when the fuel pumps are shut down and we have no access to fuel at the Harbor and have to shuttle fuel for months of time to our boats.**

**The channels at both Mala Boat Ramp and Lahaina Harbor are consistently filled with sand and limit certain boats' ability to enter and exit the boat ramp and harbor. Regular dredging should be scheduled.**

**The restroom facilities are in disrepair, half of what is in the facility does not work or has been ripped off the walls and it has not been appointed anyone's responsibility to maintain the function and cleanliness of the facilities.**

**Due to the state's authorization that cruise ships can come into the harbor with an influx of 1000 or more people per day, more pressure is put on the already deteriorated restroom facilities without any additional restroom facilities provided to accommodate the influx of visitors.**

**Constant vandalism and homeless issues affect the harbor during the day but especially in the evening before nightfall and during the night. There needs to be some form of security to deal with the growing problem of loitering, violence and vandalism affecting the facilities and our boats at the harbor.**

**I agree with the proposal to turn the entity into a semi private ownership where there is a board of harbor recreational and commercial owners representing the group as whole. This board would be elected and their votes would determine where the funds generated by the harbor are used to improve and maintain the harbor, instead of the money generated by the harbor going into a fund that pays for unrelated harbor projects elsewhere in the state.**

**Together with Mala Boat Ramp and Lahaina Harbor, we are the highest grossing commercial harbor in the entire state, ironically we are also in the worst condition of state harbors. There is no excuse or reason for this, as the funds are already available to negate the issues I mentioned above. Those of us generating the funds need the authority to use the taxes we pay to maintain the facilities to continue to generate the significant funds we provide to the state every year.**

**We would like to think the highest grossing harbor in the state would be worth protecting by the state since our taxes support so many other projects throughout the state.**

**It appears there is no concern or plan on the state level to maintain Lahaina Harbor despite how much she gives to the state.**

**This needs to be dealt with immediately, not 10 years from now. Those of us as business owners at the harbor know the exact issues affecting the harbor and ways to correct them, but we need the authority and allotment of the fund we generate to make the repairs and create consistent maintenance of the harbor that should have happened 10+ years ago.**

**I support HB 892 and believe further support of Lahaina Harbor function should be enacted immediately.**

**Peter Colombo**

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

Comments:

I support the funding for the harbor

## Kamana Levy

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**From:** Kanamu Balinbin <nalugrindz@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 8, 2023 5:01 PM  
**To:** Rep. Elle Cochran  
**Subject:** HB892

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Aloha my name is Kanamu Balinbin and I reside in Kahana, Maui. I am testing in support of HB 892. I, as well as other fishermen/watermen, feel that more Harbor agents are needed to regulate proper ocean usage.

Mala boat ramp is a prime example as to where more Harbor agents are desperately needed. I personally witnessed unpermitted boating activities that go unpunished. Lot of us local people who once frequented Mala boat ramp no longer go because of the overcrowding and lack of proper enforcement.

Mahalo nui for considering my testimony.

Aloha no kakou,  
Kanamu Balinbin

Sent from my iPhone

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Ezra wansor	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Lahaina harbor is unsanitary and unsafe for our citizens and guests. Communication between departments of government need to be improved and the harbor master needs the ability to repair and protect this asset and income resource with money generated here not sent away to Oahu.

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Submitted on: 2/9/2023 8:17:39 AM

Testimony for WAL on 2/9/2023 9:30:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Ben Bland	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support HB 892. Our restrooms are constantly being vandalized and damaged! Security will hopefully resolve this issue and help to prosecute the offenders.



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Submitted on: 2/9/2023 8:23:39 AM

Testimony for WAL on 2/9/2023 9:30:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Nicholas gambino	Individual	Support	Remotely Via Zoom

Comments:

I work in the harbor and support this effort to say the very least, our infrastructure does not currently support the influence historically and monetarily that the harbor provides.

**HB-892**

Submitted on: 2/9/2023 8:35:02 AM

Testimony for WAL on 2/9/2023 9:30:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Jake Hughson	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Please support HB892 to fund our harbors

**HB-892**

Submitted on: 2/9/2023 8:41:50 AM

Testimony for WAL on 2/9/2023 9:30:00 AM

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

Comments:

I support HB 892.

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Submitted on: 2/9/2023 8:45:01 AM

Testimony for WAL on 2/9/2023 9:30:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Ken Cherry	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I am definitely in support of HB 892. I've worked in Lāhainā Harbor for 28 years and the safety of our boats and citizens has never been this bad before. Homeless people are in the harbor all night, urinating and defecating in and around dock boxes and in slip kiosks (I've personally had to remove feces from the passenger waiting area. I've seen fights break out, as well as men yelling at imaginary people. The company I work for (Atlantis Submarines) has had trespassers on our boats as well as items stolen. For the sake of our workers and tourists, we need this bill passed to protect the millions of dollars worth of vessels as well as our citizens. Thank you for your time.

**HB-892**

Submitted on: 2/9/2023 8:48:39 AM

Testimony for WAL on 2/9/2023 9:30:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Lillian Mell	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I work in the harbour and we need amenities for the thousands of people that we support everyday. Please please please pass this bill.

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Submitted on: 2/9/2023 8:53:34 AM

Testimony for WAL on 2/9/2023 9:30:00 AM

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

Comments:

I work in Lahaina harbor and think the approval of this bill could greatly improve the harbor.

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Submitted on: 2/9/2023 8:54:42 AM

Testimony for WAL on 2/9/2023 9:30:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Noah Robinson	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I suppprt HB 892

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Submitted on: 2/9/2023 8:59:41 AM

Testimony for WAL on 2/9/2023 9:30:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Phil Kasper	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Greetings to the Honorable Members of the Hawaii State Legislature,

Quicksilver Charters, a small boat harbor business in Lahaina, Maui, is writing this letter to endorse the proposed bill that aims to increase the resources for the Department of Law Enforcement to keep an eye on the small boat harbors.

Our business, along with many others in the small boat harbor industry, has been affected by the rising incidents of vandalism, theft, and property damage. The lack of enforcement has left us feeling uncertain and insecure.

We believe that the allocation of funds to hire three full-time law enforcement personnel will greatly improve the safety and security of the small boat harbors in Maui, providing much-needed relief to small business owners like ourselves.

As members of the Maui community, we understand the significance of ensuring a safe and secure environment for all those who visit and work at the small boat harbors. The allocation of these resources will not only benefit small business owners, but also the customers who visit and enjoy these areas.

We appreciate your consideration of our endorsement for this crucial bill. We look forward to the positive impact it will have on the small boat harbors in Maui.

Respectfully,

Christopher Kasper, Quicksilver Charters



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Submitted on: 2/9/2023 9:07:46 AM

Testimony for WAL on 2/9/2023 9:30:00 AM

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

Comments:

I work at Lahaina small boat harbor and it is greatly in need of this bill to be passed. The homeless have broken nearly every stall in the restroom. Bikes are stolen even when securely locked. The presence of security would help tremendously. There are parts of the docks that are in dire need of repairs. Please pass bill 892.

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Submitted on: 2/9/2023 9:15:41 AM

Testimony for WAL on 2/9/2023 9:30:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Carrie Kinkade	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha. I support HMB 892 for several reasons, many of which are related to Lahaina and Mala Small Boat Harbors. First, we need to more law enforcement officers to be present in and around the harbors, due to all of the homelessness and drugs that are now in Lahaina (and all over Maui). The lack of law enforcement has led to myself and many other families with children being afraid to ride their bikes, walk or jog around town, particularly around the harbors. Next, we need more dumpsters that are kept clean and open for the many ocean recreation businesses to use in which they feel safe. The banyon tree in Lahaina was a place we enjoyed 25-30 years ago, but now there are so many homeless, many of which urinate and defecate all over the concrete, buildings, and benches. My family and I are afraid to go under there now, which is so sad. I can't imagine what the visitors think about it. I know it's not considered part of Lahaina Small Boat Harbor, but if law enforcement were able to monitor and patrol Lahaina Small Boat Harbor it could help with this problem because the homeless and drug addicts are all over Lahaina, including the harbors, looking for food and sometimes stealing. Thank you for your hard work and I hope this testimony is helpful to passing HB 892

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Submitted on: 2/9/2023 9:21:53 AM

Testimony for WAL on 2/9/2023 9:30:00 AM

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

Comments:

As a long time Captain working out of Lahaina Harbor, I strongly support the appropriation of funds to improve/support harbor operations. There are a number of safety and health concerns that need to be addressed and these issues relate to workers and guests alike. We need security agents in the harbor, we need dumpsters (they are often removed or unavailable), we have condemned docks that need repair, there are pilings that have fallen down and are underwater (not having these greatly affects the safety of vessels while docking and while moored). Shore power/water utilities are often unavailable due to poor infrastructure in the harbor area, and fuel resources are often limited/unusable/or in poor working order. Lahaina Harbor is a very valuable resource for our local population and visitors alike, and the lack of upkeep and resources greatly effects our ability as operators to safety and effectively do our jobs. Please, for our health, safety, and the security of our livelihoods, give the harbor the resources it needs! It's been ignored and neglected for way too long. And please make sure the funds get used appropriately. Mahalo!

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Submitted on: 2/9/2023 9:23:46 AM

Testimony for WAL on 2/9/2023 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
John mulloy	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

**The care for the harbors in Maui County is sorely lacking which is surprising when you consider how much revenue the harbors generate. If you go down there and take a look at what goes on there you'd be ashamed. It's one thing to pump money into improving it but where's the maintenance and security? Improving it takes care not just put something new in and forget about it. I've seen 3rd world facilities that were more sanitary. I've walked into to the restrooms there just to turn around immediately and run out. Disgusting. It also shouldn't take a year to fix something broken down there plenty of broken things in the harbor never to be fixed. Please take of our harbor.**

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Submitted on: 2/9/2023 9:25:27 AM

Testimony for WAL on 2/9/2023 9:30:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Gillian Garcia	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

i support HB 892. I support more security at small boat harbors in maui.

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Submitted on: 2/9/2023 10:06:48 AM

Testimony for WAL on 2/9/2023 9:30:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Ashley@sailmaui.com	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support HB892!!! The more stewardship we have at the dock the better stewards we can be on the water. Thank you!!!!