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SB-792

Submitted on: 2/23/2021 4:12:39 PM

Testimony for JDC on 2/25/2021 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Louis Erteschik	Testifying for Waikiki Neighborhood Board	Support	No

Comments:

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Submitted on: 2/20/2021 4:45:37 PM

Testimony for JDC on 2/25/2021 9:30:00 AM

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

Comments:

Please pass this bill! The noise level has increased incredibly in my Ala Moana neighborhood. Load muffler noise is the loudest and most frequent and is very disturbing to the peace of the neighborhood. Very disturbing!

Thank you!

SB-792

Submitted on: 2/20/2021 4:51:28 PM

Testimony for JDC on 2/25/2021 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Denise Boisvert	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Dear Judiciary Committee members,

I am writing in STRONG SUPPORT of SB792 regarding increases in penalties for the installation of noisy, illegal mufflers.

As a resident of Waikiki who has attended Waikiki Neighborhood Board meetings for many years, I can assure you that practically without exception, not a meeting goes by without a resident complaining about ear-splitting, ridiculously loud mufflers. One literally has to stop talking when Harley Davidson motorcycles and cars with one or two modified mufflers drive by, no matter how high up your apartment is.

Waikiki Neighborhood board meeting attendees are always astonished at how few citations were given in the past month when HPD gives their monthly report; barely a handful each month while Waikiki residents can easily hear a dozen a day!!!

SB792 will at least help to nip the problem in the bud with its focus on the installers.

Thank you for your kind consideration of approving this bill.

Sincerely,

Denise Boisvert

Waikiki

SB-792

Submitted on: 2/22/2021 2:01:27 PM

Testimony for JDC on 2/25/2021 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Myrna J. Kamae	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

The noise from Motorcycles and Mopeds in Waikiki has become unbearable at all times of the day and night. The normal activities of conversation, watching television and having a good quality of life are being tremendously diminished by the constant loud noise. It is very stressful for residents and visitors alike.

I respectfully ask that SB 792 bill is passed to Increase the minimum and potential maximum fine for violating certain provisions relating to the installation of a noisy muffler.

Mahalo nui,

Myrna J. Kamae

SB-792

Submitted on: 2/22/2021 2:41:04 PM

Testimony for JDC on 2/25/2021 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Bernard Nunies	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

STRONGLY SUPPORT this bill that increases the minimum and potential maximum fine for violating certain provisions relating to the installation of a noisy muffler. Living in the urban core has its advantages and disadvantages, with noise pollution being one of those disadvantages. This bill will help to deter noisy mufflers and those who knowingly vioate its provisions.

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Submitted on: 2/22/2021 11:21:55 PM

Testimony for JDC on 2/25/2021 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
William Short	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

This bill is sorely needed. My wife and I are kapuna who live in a high rise in Waikiki and the noise from illegal mufflers on cars and especially motorcycles and mopeds is so amplified it is painfully unbearable for my wife and me. The volume and reverberation from their noise are far worse than the sirens which, though loud, are much more tolerable. To illustrate what a difference a muffler makes, we can barely hear the city busses which have engines many times larger than a motorcycle. What makes it particularly aggravating is that the offenders seem to delight in revving their noisy engines as they race down Kapahulu Ave at all hours of the night waking us and our neighbors. There seems to be little enforcement of noise laws and/or the penalties are so insignificant that wrongdoers don't care if they are caught. Please pass this law.

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Submitted on: 2/23/2021 12:02:25 PM

Testimony for JDC on 2/25/2021 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
annette L thompson	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I am writing in strong support of the measure.

there is a gentleman who lives at the Canterbury in Honolulu (corner of Ala Moana and Ena Rd). He has huge motorbike and revs it up several times a day and it is very loud. He will sit and let it idle, have a cigarette and then leave. He comes back in 15 - 20 minutes.

This noisy motorbike is so loud we cannot hear our TV. It sounds like it is right outside of our window.

Many of us are annoyed by the noise these leaf blowers as we are surrounded by cement buildings and the noise echoes very loud because of the cement, the noise bounces and goes through it, making it sound louder and as noise travels faster and louder in dense areas

SB-792

Submitted on: 2/23/2021 7:57:12 PM

Testimony for JDC on 2/25/2021 9:30:00 AM

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

Comments:

Aloha

I enthusiastically support this bill. As I reside across from the Prince Hotel in Waikiki I can attest to the out of control noise levels emanating from loud mufflers all day and night mostly as these cars mopeds and motorcycles have at speeds up to 70 Mph as they head out of Waikiki and it resonates all along the boulevard to Piikoi and wakes everyone up late at night.

It is intentional and it dramatically affects all who live and visit here.

Please move this exceptional piece of legislation forward.

Mahalo

Dave Moskowitz

LATE

SB-792

Submitted on: 2/24/2021 9:39:38 AM

Testimony for JDC on 2/25/2021 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Jean Jeremiah	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I strongly support SB792 Relating to Transportation. There is a muffler and brakes business company located at 862 Ilaniwai Street, Honolulu, HI 96813 (A+ Muffler and Brakes). Vehicles are coming and going all hours of the day out of this business place with their mufflers echoing through our Kakaako neighborhood. Many times, as late as 10pm, there is a vehicle zooming through Ilaniwai Street. These type of businesses should not be operating in a residential neighborhood area. Additionally, these loud mufflers should not be allowed at all. Driving side by side with these loud muffler vehicles --- is a distraction to other drivers. What is the purpose of these loud mufflers? **There is absolutely no benefit to a vehicle owner.** There should be a law completely prohibiting the installation of these loud useless mufflers.

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Submitted on: 2/24/2021 5:23:59 PM
Testimony for JDC on 2/25/2021 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Klaus Radtke	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Lving along Ala Moana Blvd., one has to close the windows at night because of sudden motorcycle noise. Even with windows closed, one occasionally wakes up from loud motorcycle noise. It really affects us seniors . Thank you for adressing this issue.

LATE

SB-792

Submitted on: 2/24/2021 7:10:22 PM

Testimony for JDC on 2/25/2021 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
John Johnson	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

House State Legislature

I am writing this as a residence of Honolulu specifically one living in the Waikiki area of Hobron Ln & Ena Rd. I live in one of 3 very large high rises in that area. Tenants are continually complaining about the sound of loud mufflers from motor cycles & scooters that are being modified from factory and create very loud noises that bounce around & Off of these buildings Modifying factory mufflers should be banned as it creates a ten fold louder noises where residence can't enjoy a quite enjoyable environment.

Please consider passing this bill so residence can enjoy where they live.

Mahalo

John Johnson

LATE

SB-792

Submitted on: 2/25/2021 2:22:19 AM

Testimony for JDC on 2/25/2021 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Kira Cheng	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support this bill because noisy mufflers create too much noise pollution and affect our sleeping quality.