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# HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE FORMATION OF A JOINT LEGISLATIVE PROCUREMENT  
WORKING GROUP TO EVALUATE THE STATE PROCUREMENT CODE AND  
RECOMMEND IMPROVEMENTS.

1           WHEREAS, the Hawaii Public Procurement Code and its  
2 accompanying administrative rules encompass a complex process  
3 for soliciting and awarding public contracts; and  
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5           WHEREAS, many of the complexities of the Hawaii Public  
6 Procurement Code result in needless delays in the awarding of  
7 contracts that often result in the failure to provide needed  
8 services and facilities to Hawaii's residents in a timely  
9 manner; and  
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11           WHEREAS, the Hawaii Public Procurement Code should be  
12 streamlined, where possible, to adapt to economic emergency  
13 situations, such as the current recession, that may require the  
14 speedy awarding of contracts financed by federal stimulus funds;  
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17           WHEREAS, the Hawaii Public Procurement Code should be a  
18 vehicle for providing an economic advantage to local agriculture  
19 producers, local manufacturers and suppliers, and the local  
20 workforce; and  
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22           WHEREAS, the Hawaii Public Procurement Code is in need of  
23 review to find efficiencies and improve the overall  
24 effectiveness of the procurement process; now, therefore,  
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26           BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
27 Twenty-fifth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session  
28 of 2009, the Senate concurring, that the President of the Senate  
29 and Speaker of the House of Representatives are requested to  
30 form a Joint Legislative Procurement Working Group to evaluate



1 the Hawaii Public Procurement Code and recommend improvements;  
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4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Joint Legislative  
5 Procurement Working Group be composed of the following members:  
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7 (1) Three members of the House of Representatives,  
8 consisting of two members from the majority party and  
9 one member from the minority party, who are requested  
10 to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of  
11 Representatives; and  
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13 (2) Three members of the Senate, consisting of two members  
14 from the majority party and one member from the  
15 minority party, who are requested to be appointed by  
16 the President of the Senate;  
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20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of the Joint  
21 Legislative Procurement Working Group select a chairperson from  
22 its membership; and  
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24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Joint Legislative  
25 Procurement Working Group invite the following persons to attend  
26 as interested parties:  
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28 (1) The State Procurement Administrator, or the  
29 Administrator's designee;  
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31 (2) The Comptroller, or the Comptroller's designee;  
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33 (3) A representative of the Procurement Policy Board under  
34 section 103D-201, Hawaii Revised Statutes, who is  
35 requested to be selected by the Comptroller;  
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37 (4) Each county's chief procurement officer or designee;  
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39 (5) A representative of the Hawaii Procurement Institute  
40 at the William S. Richardson School of Law, who is  
41 requested to be selected by the Dean of the William S.  
42 Richardson School of Law;



1 (6) Professor Danielle Conway-Jones, of the William S.  
2 Richardson School of Law;

3 (7) Five procurement practitioners, selected by the  
4 Chairperson, including representatives from federal,  
5 state, and county procurement offices and procurement  
6 attorneys; and  
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8 (8) Representatives of trade unions;

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12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Accounting  
13 and General Services is requested to provide necessary  
14 administrative professional, technical, and clerical support to  
15 the working group; and  
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17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of the Joint  
18 Legislative Procurement Working Group are requested to serve  
19 without compensation and without reimbursement for expenses; and  
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21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Joint Legislative  
22 Procurement Working Group is requested to report any findings  
23 and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the  
24 Legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the  
25 regular session of 2010; and  
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27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the working group be dissolved  
28 on June 30, 2010; and  
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30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
31 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the State Procurement  
32 Administrator, the Comptroller, the Chairperson of the  
33 Procurement Policy Board, the Dean and Professor Danielle  
34 Conway-Jones of the William S. Richardson School of Law, and the  
35 mayor of each county.

