
HOUSE 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, that the President of the Senate and Speaker of the
29 House of Representatives are requested to form a Joint
30 Legislative Procurement Working Group to evaluate the Hawaii
31 Public Procurement Code and recommend improvements; and



1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Joint Legislative
2 Procurement Working Group be composed of the following members:

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4 (1) Three members of the House of Representatives,
5 consisting of two members from the majority party and
6 one member from the minority party, who are requested
7 to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of
8 Representatives; and
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10 (2) Three members of the Senate, consisting of two members
11 from the majority party and one member from the
12 minority party, who are requested to be appointed by
13 the President of the Senate;
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17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of the Joint
18 Legislative Procurement Working Group select a chairperson from
19 its membership; and
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21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Joint Legislative
22 Procurement Working Group invite the following persons to attend
23 as interested parties:
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25 (1) The State Procurement Administrator, or the
26 Administrator's designee;
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28 (2) The Comptroller, or the Comptroller's designee;
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30 (3) A representative of the Procurement Policy Board under
31 section 103D-201, Hawaii Revised Statutes, who is
32 requested to be selected by the Comptroller;
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34 (4) Each county's chief procurement officer or designee;
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36 (5) A representative of the Hawaii Procurement Institute
37 at the William S. Richardson School of Law, who is
38 requested to be selected by the Dean of the William S.
39 Richardson School of Law;
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41 (6) Professor Danielle Conway-Jones, of the William S.
42 Richardson School of Law;



1 (7) Five procurement practitioners, selected by the
2 Chairperson, including representatives from federal,
3 state, and county procurement offices and procurement
4 attorneys; and
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6 (8) Representatives of trade unions;
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10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Accounting
11 and General Services is requested to provide necessary
12 administrative professional, technical, and clerical support to
13 the working group; and
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15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of the Joint
16 Legislative Procurement Working Group are requested to serve
17 without compensation and without reimbursement for expenses; and
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19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Joint Legislative
20 Procurement Working Group is requested to report any findings
21 and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the
22 Legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the
23 regular session of 2010; and
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25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the working group be dissolved
26 on June 30, 2010; and
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28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
29 Resolution be transmitted to the State Procurement
30 Administrator, the Comptroller, the Chairperson of the
31 Procurement Policy Board, the Dean and Professor Danielle
32 Conway-Jones of the William S. Richardson School of Law, and the
33 mayor of each county.

