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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PUBLIC PROCUREMENT.

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:**

1           SECTION 1. Chapter 103D, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended by adding a new section to part X to be appropriately  
3 designated and to read as follows:  
4           "§103D-       Preference for employers of individuals with  
5 disabilities and recipients of temporary assistance for needy  
6 families. (a) When a governmental body contracts for goods,  
7 services, or construction, a preference shall be given to a  
8 bidder who hires individuals with disabilities or recipients of  
9 temporary assistance for needy families; provided that the  
10 individuals with disabilities and recipients of temporary  
11 assistance for needy families are employed for the duration of  
12 the contract.  
13           (b) The preference amount shall be equal to the percentage  
14 of individuals employed by the bidder who are individuals with  
15 disabilities or recipients of temporary assistance for needy  
16 families and shall be subtracted from the offer for selection  
17 purposes only; provided that the preference amount shall not

1 exceed twenty-five per cent of the bid price; provided further  
2 that part-time employees who are individuals with disabilities  
3 or recipients of temporary assistance for needy families shall  
4 be counted in proportion to the number of hours they work in a  
5 forty hour work week.

6 (c) For the purposes of this section, "individual with  
7 disability" means an individual who has a physical or mental  
8 impairment that substantially limits one or more major life  
9 activities and who is qualified to receive services from the  
10 department of human services' vocational rehabilitation and  
11 services for the blind division, the department of health's  
12 adult mental health or developmental disabilities divisions, or  
13 the United States Department of Veterans Affairs."

14 SECTION 2. The state procurement office's policy board  
15 shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter 91 necessary for purposes  
16 of this Act.

17 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.

18 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

**Report Title:**

Procurement Code; Employment Preference; Individuals with Disabilities; Temporary Assistance for Needy Families

**Description:**

Establishes a preference for bidders to government contracts who hire individuals with disabilities and certain temporary assistance for needy families recipients. (SD1)