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LATE TESTIMONY

**The Twenty-Fifth Legislature, State of Hawaii
Hawaii State House of Representatives
Committee on Economic Revitalization, Business, & Military Affairs**

**Testimony by
Hawaii Government Employees Association
February 2, 2010**

**H.B. 2430 – RELATING TO
PROCUREMENT**

The Hawaii Government Employees Association, AFSCME Local 152, AFL-CIO supports the purpose and intent of H.B. 2430 which permits bidders and their subcontractors who are registered under an apprenticeship agreement with Department of Labor and Industrial Relations (DLIR) to benefit from a 5% reduction in their bid amount on contracts for \$250,000 or more. This measure extends to subcontractors the same benefit enjoyed by bidders to which they are attached when the subcontractor meets the same apprenticeship agreement registration requirement.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of H.B. 2430.

Respectfully submitted,

Nora A. Nomura
Deputy Executive Director

The Twenty-Fifth Legislature
Regular Session of 2010

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Committee on Economic Revitalization, Business & Military Affairs
Rep. Angus L.K. McKelvey, Chair
Rep. Isaac W. Choy, Vice Chair

State Capitol, Conference Room 312
Tuesday, February 2, 2010; 8:30 a.m.

STATEMENT OF THE ILWU LOCAL 142 ON H.B. 2430 RELATING TO PROCUREMENT

The ILWU Local 142 supports H.B. 2430, which permits bidders and their subcontractors who are registered under an apprenticeship agreement with DLIR to benefit from a 5% reduction in their bid amount on contracts for \$250,000 or more.

When public monies are used, taxpayers will want the best value for their dollar. Apprenticeship programs help to ensure that those working on public works projects are qualified and trained in their respective trade. A state-approved apprenticeship program will provide workers with the knowledge of the trade and help them develop the skills required for the trade on the job.

This measure seeks to provide a benefit to those subcontractors who are registered under a DLIR apprenticeship agreement. We believe this is appropriate since general contractors receive this consideration and will serve as an incentive for more subcontractors to participate in an apprenticeship program.

The ILWU urges passage of H.B. 2430. Thank you for considering our testimony.

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LOCAL 142

VIA FAX (586-6161)

February 3, 2010

The Honorable Angus McKelvey, Chair
 Committee on Economic Revitalization,
 Business & Military Affairs
 State House of Representatives
 Hawaii State Capitol, Room 427
 Honolulu, HI 96813

RE: H.B. 2430
Relating to Procurement

Dear Chair McKelvey:

The ILWU Local 142 submitted testimony to your Committee yesterday in support of H.B. 2430, Relating to Procurement. We wish to amend our testimony before you proceed with decision-making tomorrow.

Upon subsequent review of the bill, we believe H.B. 2430 will undermine the law that was enacted last year allowing an incentive for bidders with registered apprenticeship agreements. With H.B. 2430, if the subcontractor has an apprenticeship agreement, the bidder need not. This would seem to be contrary to the intent of the law recently passed.

We, therefore, withdraw our support for H.B. 2430. Thank you for considering our change in position.

Sincerely,

Guy K. Fujimura
 Secretary-Treasurer

cc: Rep. Isaac W. Choy, Rep. Lyla B. Berg, Rep. Cindy Evans, Rep. Joey Manahan,
 Rep. K. Mark Takai, Rep. James Kunane Tokioka, Rep. Clift Tsuji, Rep. Glenn Wakai,
 Rep. Jessica Wooley, Rep. Gene Ward