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GENERAL CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION OF HAWAII

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LATE TESTIMONY

TO: THE HONORABLE REPRESENTATIVE ANGUS L.K. MCKELVEY, CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION, BUSINESS, & MILITARY AFFAIRS

SUBJECT: H.B. 2441, RELATING TO PROCUREMENT.

NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Thursday, February 11, 2010
TIME: 10:30 AM
PLACE: Conference Room 312

Dear Chair and Members of the Committee:

The General Contractors Association (GCA), an organization comprised of over five hundred and seventy (570) general contractors, subcontractors, and construction related firms, **supports** the passage of H.B. 2441, Relating to Procurement.

This bill would require that contracts awarded by the state departments of Hawaiian Homes Lands, Transportation the county boards of water supply and county housing, planning and permitting and transportation agencies be awarded within thirty (30) days of the bid opening date. This proposed change in the state's procurement procedure was one of the recommendations of the taskforce formed by Senate Concurrent Resolution 132, S.D. 1 adopted by the 2009 Legislature. We believe that his measure will update and speed up the current procurement procedure for the award of many capital improvement contracts and result in more efficient and timely start of work on construction projects.

The GCA believes that this measure will help to stimulate Hawaii's economy and assist in a faster recovery of our construction industry.

The GCA **supports** the passage of HB 2441 and recommends that the committee pass the bill.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide our views on this issue.