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BUILDING INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION

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LATE TESTIMONY

Representative Angus McKelvey, Chair
Committee on Economic Revitalization, Business and
Military Affairs
State Capitol, Room 312
Honolulu, HI 96813

RE: SB2831 Relating to Procurement

Dear Chair McKelvey and Members of the Committee:

I am Karen Nakamura, Chief Executive Officer of the Building Industry Association of Hawaii (BIA-Hawaii). Chartered in 1955, the Building Industry Association of Hawaii is a professional trade organization affiliated with the National Association of Home Builders, representing the building industry and its associates. BIA-Hawaii takes a leadership role in unifying and promoting the interests of the industry to enhance the quality of life for the people of Hawaii.

BIA-Hawaii supports the passage of SB2831, SD1 Relating to Procurement.

This measure would make permanent the provisions of Section 8 of Act 175, (2008) relating to HRS 103-32.1 Contract provisions for retainage; subcontractors. Act 175 edited a subsection of HRS 103-32.1 to eliminate a confusion concerning the procedure and amount of subcontractor retention that may be held by the procurement officer on a public works project. Section 8 of 175 clarified the intent of the modifications made to HRS 103-32.1 in 2009. It appears that the provisions of Act 175 are working and should be made permanent.

Thank you for the opportunity to share our views with you.



Chief Executive Officer
BIA-Hawaii