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OF
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TO THE
HOUSE COMMITTEE
ON
FINANCE
ON
April 29, 2013

S.C.R. 92, S.D. 2

REQUESTING THE COMPTROLLER TO ESTABLISH A TASK FORCE TO STUDY THE
STATE PROCUREMENT CODE AND IDENTIFY AMENDMENTS THAT WOULD
INCREASE ECONOMY, EFFICIENCY, EFFECTIVENESS, AND IMPARTIALITY
IN THE PROCUREMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

Chair Luke and members of the Committee, thank you for the opportunity to testify on
S.C.R. 92, S.D. 2.

The Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS) supports S.C.R. 92, S.D. 2.

DAGS appreciates the opportunity to participate in the review of the state procurement
code that may better promote economy, efficiency, effectiveness, and impartiality in the
procurement of public works construction projects and will work collaboratively with the task
force members.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this matter.

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Date: 04/29/2013

Committee: House Finance

Department: Education

Person Testifying: Kathryn S. Matayoshi, Superintendent of Education

Title of Resolution: SCR 092,SD2(sscr1515) REQUESTING THE COMPTROLLER TO ESTABLISH A TASK FORCE TO STUDY THE STATE PROCUREMENT CODE AND IDENTIFY AMENDMENTS THAT WOULD INCREASE THE ECONOMY, EFFICIENCY, EFFECTIVENESS, AND IMPARTIALITY IN THE PROCUREMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS.

Purpose of Resolution: State Procurement Code; Identify Amendments

Department's Position:

The Department of Education (DOE) supports the intent of this resolution. The DOE agrees that the State Procurement Code should be periodically reviewed to improve efficiency and effectiveness and that, given the numerous issues that have arisen recently, this would be a fortuitous time to undertake such a review. The DOE looks forward to participating in this effort.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify.



SCR92 SD2
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CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

House Committee on Finance

April 29, 2013

9:00 a.m.

Room 308

The Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) **SUPPORTS** SCR92 SD2, which calls for the establishment of a task force, including OHA and other agencies, to identify amendments to improve the State's procurement process.

As an agency that conducts extensive procurement activities, OHA would welcome the opportunity to share our procurement experiences and to help shape improvements. The procurement process is indeed complex, with many detailed and demanding laws and regulations to follow. Perhaps we can work with all concerned parties to find the right regulatory balance to keep procurements moving along effectively and efficiently while fostering the desired competition. If this concurrent resolution is adopted, OHA looks forward to participating on the task force.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify on this measure.

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Comments: I support passage of this bill to grow the economy by creating more jobs by building more buildings.

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TO: HONORABLE SYLVIA LUKE, CHAIR, HONORABLE SCOTT NISHIMOTO
VICE CHAIR, HONORABLE AARON JOHANSON, VICE CHAIR AND
MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE FINANCE COMMITTEE

SUBJECT: **SUPPORT OF SCR 92, SD2**, REQUESTING THE COMPTROLLER TO
ESTABLISH A TASK FORCE TO STUDY THE STATE PROCUREMENT
CODE AND IDENTIFY AMENDMENTS THAT WOULD INCREASE THE
ECONOMY, EFFICIENCY, EFFECTIVENESS, AND IMPARTIALITY IN
THE PROCUREMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS.

Hearing

DATE: Monday, April 29, 2013
TIME: 9:00 a.m.
PLACE: Capitol Room 308

Dear Chair Luke, Vice Chair Nishimoto, Vice Chair Johanson and Members of the Committee,

The General Contractors Association of Hawaii (GCA) is an organization comprised of over six hundred (600) general contractors, subcontractors, and construction related firms. The GCA was established in 1932 and is the largest construction association in the State of Hawaii. The GCA's mission is to represent its members in all matters related to the construction industry, while improving the quality of construction and protecting the public interest.

GCA is in support of SCR 92, SD2 requesting the Comptroller to establish a Task Force to Study the State Procurement Code and identify amendments that would increase and improve the economy, efficiency, effectiveness, and impartiality in procurement. In order to meet this goal, the GCA believes it is necessary that the government agencies may be best able to identify solutions necessary to improve the procurement process. The Resolution would allow the government agencies to solicit input from the construction industry stakeholders upon request.

In an effort to improve overall cost-efficiency of public works construction projects, this Resolution calls for the formation of a Task Force to identify ways in which the procurement code can be improved under Chapter 103D, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS).

GCA is in support SCR 92, SD2 and its goal to improve efficiency in procurement, identify solutions, and overall save costs to the public and ensure projects go out on a timely and fair manner while stimulating the economy. Accordingly, GCA respectfully requests that this Committee pass this Concurrent Resolution to provide a forum to address solutions to improve efficiency.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide our testimony in support.