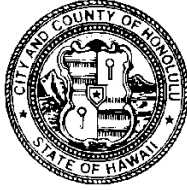


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HOUSE BILL 2657, "RELATING TO PROCUREMENT"
Position: In Opposition

TO: The Honorable Clift Tsuji, Chair
and Members of the Committee on Economic Development & Business

The Department of Budget and Fiscal Services, City and County of Honolulu, **opposes any and all types of bid preferences.**

In general, any bid preference will promote inefficiencies in the procurement code and prevent the City from awarding to the Offeror who provides the best value. Bid preferences will require additional time and resources for review and analysis. Bid preferences increase the chances of a protest or complaint. Bid preferences complicate and further delay the procurement process and increase the cost to the City.

For the reasons stated above, the City respectfully requests that this bill be held in Committee.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify on this bill. Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact the Department of Budget & Fiscal Services' Division of Purchasing at 808-768-5535 or bfspurchasing@honolulu.gov.