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HB 2060 HD 1 SD 1  
RELATING TO PROCUREMENT

Chair Tokuda, Vice-Chair Dela Cruz, and members of the committee, thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony on HB 2060 HD1 SD1. The State Procurement Office (SPO) is in **STRONG SUPPORT** of HB 2060, in amending subsection of 103D-205 by clarifying that the Administrator has the authority to perform periodic compliance review of all governmental bodies and shall have the assistance and cooperation from that department or agency and amends 103D-312 to establish a fair and reasonable pricing policy for all contract actions.

Fairness, open completion, a level playing field, and government disclosure and transparency in procurement and contract process are vital to good government and can only be obtained through consistent compliance to the procurement code.

Procurement is a fundamental mission of government, and amounts to billions of dollars of taxpayer's monies spent every year throughout the State of Hawaii. It is vital to have access to information across CPO jurisdictions to allow for improvement in business analytics, to ultimately determine areas of opportunity to leverage economies of scale and increase cost savings. In addition, transparency in information and options for reviews, raise the level of expectancy in procurement integrity and ethical behavior.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.