A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PROCUREMENT.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 103D-302, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 2 amended as follows:
- 3 1. By amending subsections (b), (c), and (d), to read:
- 4 "(b) An invitation for bids shall be issued[τ] and shall
- 5 include a purchase description and all contractual terms and
- 6 conditions applicable to the procurement. If the invitation for
- 7 bids is for construction, [it] the invitation for bids shall
- 8 specify that all bids include the name of each person or firm to
- **9** be engaged by the bidder as a joint contractor or subcontractor
- 10 in the performance of the contract and the nature and scope of
- 11 the work to be performed by each. Construction bids that do not
- 12 comply with this requirement may be accepted if acceptance is in
- 13 the best interest of the State and the value of the work to be
- 14 performed by the joint contractor or subcontractor is equal to
- 15 or less than one per cent of the total bid amount.
- (c) Adequate public notice of the invitation for bids
- 17 shall be given a reasonable time before the date set forth in

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- 1 the invitation for the opening of bids. The policy board shall
- 2 adopt rules [which] that specify:
- 3 (1) The form that the notice is to take;
- 4 (2) What constitutes a reasonable interim between
- 5 publication and bid opening; and
- **6** (3) How notice may be published, including publication in
- 7 a newspaper of general circulation, notice by mail to
- 8 all persons on any applicable bidders mailing list,
- 9 publication by any public or private telecommunication
- information network, or any other method of
- 11 publication [it] the policy board deems to be
- 12 effective.
- (d) Bids shall be opened publicly in the presence of one
- 14 or more witnesses, at the time and place designated in the
- 15 invitation for bids. The amount of each bid and other relevant
- 16 information specified by rule, together with the name of each
- 17 bidder, shall be recorded. The record and each bid shall be
- 18 open to public inspection."
- 19 2. By amending subsection (f) to read:
- "(f) Bids shall be evaluated based on the requirements set
- 21 forth in the invitation for bids. These requirements may

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- 1 include criteria to determine acceptability, such as inspection,
- 2 testing, quality, workmanship, delivery, and suitability for a
- 3 particular purpose. [Those criteria] Criteria that will affect
- 4 the bid price and be considered in evaluation for award shall be
- 5 objectively measurable, such as discounts, transportation costs,
- 6 and total or life cycle costs. The invitation for bids shall
- 7 set forth the evaluation criteria to be used. No criteria may
- 8 be used in bid evaluation that are not set forth in the
- 9 invitation for bids."
- 10 3. By amending subsection (h) to read:
- "(h) The contract shall be awarded with reasonable
- 12 promptness by written notice to the lowest responsible and
- 13 responsive bidder, or second lowest responsible and responsive
- 14 bidder in certain cases as determined by the purchasing agency,
- 15 whose bid meets the requirements and criteria set forth in the
- 16 invitation for bids. In the event all bids exceed available
- 17 funds as certified by the appropriate fiscal officer, the head
- 18 of the purchasing agency responsible for the procurement in
- 19 question is authorized in situations where time or economic
- 20 considerations preclude resolicitation of work of a reduced
- 21 scope to negotiate an adjustment of the bid price, including

- 1 changes in the bid requirements, with the low responsible and
- $\mathbf{2}$ responsive bidder[τ] or second lowest responsible and responsive
- 3 bidder, in order to bring the bid within the amount of available
- 4 funds."
- 5 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 6 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 7 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2112.

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Report Title:

Procurement; Competitive Sealed Bidding; Second Lowest Bidder

Description:

Allows purchasing agencies to award a contract to the second lowest bidder in certain cases through the competitive sealed bidding process. Effective 7/1/2112. (HD1)

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