

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 29 , 2022

RE: H.B. No. 1974  
H.D. 1  
S.D. 2  
C.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Thirty-First State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2022  
State of Hawaii

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President of the Senate  
Thirty-First State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2022  
State of Hawaii

Sirs:

Your Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the House of Representatives to the amendments proposed by the Senate in H.B. No. 1974, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PROCUREMENT,"

having met, and after full and free discussion, has agreed to recommend and does recommend to the respective Houses the final passage of this bill in an amended form.

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Establish a five-year Small Business Assistance Initiative within the State Procurement Office, to consist of a Small Business Procurement Coordinator and Small Business Office; and
- (2) Appropriate funds to the State Procurement Office for the Small Business Assistance Initiative.

Your Committee on Conference has amended this measure by:

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- (1) Establishing the Small Business Assistance Initiative in the Session Laws of Hawaii, rather than statutorily in the Hawaii Revised Statutes;
- (2) Inserting an appropriation amount of \$366,000 for the Small Business Assistance Initiative, to be allocated as follows:
  - (A) \$115,000 to complete the State Small Business Database as provided by Act 42, Session Laws of Hawaii 2017, prior to its repeal;
  - (B) \$126,000 for the establishment of one permanent full-time equivalent (1.00 FTE) Small Business Procurement Coordinator position exempt from chapter 76, Hawaii Revised Statutes, in the State Procurement Office; and
  - (C) \$125,000 for the hiring of a local small business to operate and maintain the Small Business Office and for marketing of and outreach for the full five-year term of the Small Business Assistance Initiative;
- (3) Clarifying that the effective date of this measure is upon its approval; provided that the appropriation section shall take effect on July 1, 2022; and
- (4) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

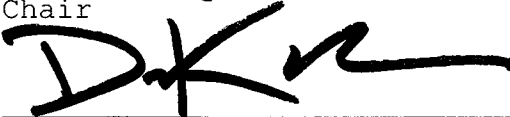
As affirmed by the record of votes of the managers of your Committee on Conference that is attached to this report, your Committee on Conference is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1974, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Final Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1974, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1.




Respectfully submitted on behalf  
of the managers:

ON THE PART OF THE SENATE

  
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