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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PROCUREMENT.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the existing Hawaii
- 2 Revised Statute relating to small purchases is due for an
- 3 adjustment to dollar thresholds with regard to inflation. With
- 4 the costs of goods, services, and construction continuously
- 5 rising, the items that qualify as a small purchase continue to
- 6 dwindle. These dollar amount thresholds were last adjusted in
- 7 1997. Adjusting the dollar values of what qualifies as a small
- 8 purchase with regard to inflation will afford agencies the same
- 9 purchasing power as originally intended.
- 10 SECTION 2. Section 103D-305, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 11 amended as follows:
- 1. By amending subsection (a) to read:
- 13 "(a) Procurements of less than [\$\frac{\$100,000}{}] \$150,000 for
- 14 goods or services, or [\$250,000] \$360,000 for construction shall
- 15 be made in accordance with procedures set forth in rules adopted
- 16 by the policy board that are designed to ensure administrative
- 17 simplicity and as much competition as is practicable; provided



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- 1 that multiple expenditures shall not be created at the inception
- 2 of a transaction or project so as to evade the requirements of
- 3 this chapter; and provided further that procurement requirements
- 4 shall not be artificially divided or parceled so as to
- 5 constitute a small purchase under this section."
- 6 2. By amending subsection (c) to read:
- 7 "(c) Procurements of [\$25,000] \$100,000 to less than
- $8 \quad [$250,000]$ \$360,000 shall be made in accordance with small
- 9 purchase procedures; provided that such small purchase
- 10 procurements through an electronic system shall be required."
- 11 SECTION 3. Section 103D-310, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 12 amended by amending subsection (c) to read as follows:
- "(c) All offerors, upon award of contract, shall comply
- 14 with all laws governing entities doing business in the State,
- 15 including chapters 237, 383, 386, 392, and 393. Offerors shall
- 16 produce documents to the procuring officer to demonstrate
- 17 compliance with this subsection. Any offeror making a false
- 18 affirmation or certification under this subsection shall be
- 19 suspended from further offerings or awards pursuant to
- 20 section 103D-702. The procuring officer shall verify compliance
- 21 with this subsection for all contracts awarded pursuant to

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- 1 sections 103D-302, 103D-303, 103D-304, and 103D-306, and for
- 2 contracts and procurements of [\$2,500] \$10,000 or more awarded
- 3 pursuant to section 103D-305; provided that the attorney general
- 4 may waive the requirements of this subsection for contracts for
- 5 legal services if the attorney general certifies in writing that
- 6 comparable legal services are not available in this State."
- 7 SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 8 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 9 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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INTRODUCED BY:

BY REQUEST

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Report Title:

Hawaii Council of Mayors Package; Procurement; Small Purchases

Description:

Increases the procurement thresholds for small purchases.

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