
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 procurement
2 process is in need of clear legislative direction to award state
3 contracts to responsible bidders or offerors through the state
4 procurement process, to increase accountability with performance
5 on state contracts, and to more efficiently utilize taxpayer
6 dollars. Some state contracts may currently be awarded to the
7 lowest bidder through the invitation for bid process without
8 regard to poor past performance. Such bidders may be considered
9 qualified despite poor performance on state, federal, or private
10 contracts in the past, which may result in repeated
11 inefficiencies and substandard work.

12 The purpose of this Act is to:

13 (1) Require that past performance be considered in future
14 bid selection of contractors for sole source contracts
15 and any competitive sealed bid or proposal contracts
16 that exceeds the small purchase threshold; and



1 (2) Require procurement officers to consider specific
2 factors, including past performance, when making a
3 determination of offeror responsibility.

4 SECTION 2. Section 103D-302, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
5 amended by amending subsection (f) to read as follows:

6 "(f) Bids shall be evaluated based on the requirements set
7 forth in the invitation for bids. These requirements may
8 include criteria to determine acceptability such as inspection,
9 testing, quality, workmanship, delivery, and suitability for a
10 particular purpose. Those criteria that will affect the bid
11 price and be considered in evaluation for award shall be
12 objectively measurable, such as discounts, transportation costs,
13 and total or life cycle costs. Past performance shall be
14 evaluated in all bids expected to meet or exceed the small
15 purchase threshold. The invitation for bids shall set forth the
16 evaluation criteria to be used. No criteria may be used in bid
17 evaluation that are not set forth in the invitation for bids."

18 SECTION 3. Section 103D-303, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
19 amended by amending subsection (e) to read as follows:

20 "(e) The request for proposals shall state the relative
21 importance of price and other evaluation factors. Past



1 performance shall be evaluated in all solicitations expected to
2 meet or exceed the small purchase threshold."

3 SECTION 4. Section 103D-306, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
4 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

5 "(a) A contract may be awarded for goods, services, or
6 construction without competition when the head of a purchasing
7 agency determines in writing that there is only one source for
8 the required good, service, or construction, the determination
9 is reviewed and approved by the chief procurement officer, the
10 written determination is posted in the manner described in rules
11 adopted by the policy board, a review of past performance has
12 been conducted, and no objection is outstanding. The written
13 determination, any objection, past performance evaluations
14 relied upon, and a written summary of the disposition of any
15 objection shall be included in the contract file."

16 SECTION 5. Section 103D-310, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
17 amended to read as follows:

18 "**§103D-310 Responsibility of offerors.** (a) Purchases
19 shall be made from, and contracts shall be awarded to,
20 responsible prospective contractors only.



1 (b) Unless the policy board, by rules, specifies
2 otherwise, before submitting an offer, a prospective offeror,
3 not less than ten calendar days prior to the day designated for
4 opening offers, shall give written notice of the intention to
5 submit an offer to the procurement officer responsible for that
6 particular procurement.

7 [~~(b)~~] (c) Whether or not an intention to bid is required,
8 the procurement officer shall determine whether the prospective
9 offeror has the financial ability, past performance, resources,
10 skills, capability, and business integrity necessary to perform
11 the work. For this purpose, the officer, in the officer's
12 discretion, may require any prospective offeror to submit
13 answers, under oath, to questions contained in a standard form
14 of questionnaire to be prepared by the policy board. Whenever
15 it appears from answers to the questionnaire or otherwise, that
16 the prospective offeror is not fully qualified and able to
17 perform the intended work, a written determination of
18 nonresponsibility of an offeror shall be made by the head of the
19 purchasing agency, in accordance with rules adopted by the
20 policy board. The unreasonable failure of an offeror to
21 promptly supply information in connection with an inquiry with



1 respect to responsibility may be grounds for a determination of
2 nonresponsibility with respect to [~~such~~] the offeror. The
3 decision of the head of the purchasing agency shall be final
4 unless the offeror applies for administrative review pursuant to
5 section 103D-709.

6 [~~(e)~~] (d) All offerors, upon award of contract, shall
7 comply with all laws governing entities doing business in the
8 State, including chapters 237, 383, 386, 392, and 393. Offerors
9 shall produce documents to the procuring officer to demonstrate
10 compliance with this subsection. Any offeror making a false
11 affirmation or certification under this subsection shall be
12 suspended from further offerings or awards pursuant to section
13 103D-702. The procuring officer shall verify compliance with
14 this subsection for all contracts awarded pursuant to sections
15 103D-302, 103D-303, 103D-304, and 103D-306, and for contracts
16 and procurements of \$2,500 or more awarded pursuant to section
17 103D-305; provided that the attorney general may waive the
18 requirements of this subsection for contracts for legal services
19 if the attorney general certifies in writing that comparable
20 legal services are not available in this State.



1 ~~(d)~~ (e) Information furnished by an offeror pursuant to
2 this section shall not be disclosed to any person except to law
3 enforcement agencies as provided by chapter 92F."

4 SECTION 6. There is appropriated out of the general
5 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much
6 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2021-2022 for the
7 purposes of implementing this Act for executive branch
8 departments and agencies.

9 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the state
10 procurement office for the purposes of this Act.

11 SECTION 7. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
12 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
13 begun before its effective date.

14 SECTION 8. If any provision of this Act, or the
15 application thereof to any person or circumstance, is held
16 invalid, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or
17 applications of the Act that can be given effect without the
18 invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions
19 of this Act are severable.

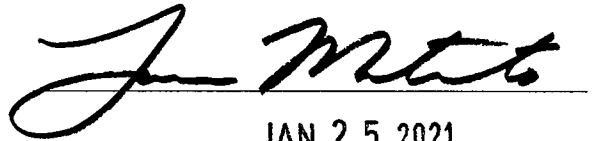
20 SECTION 9. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
21 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.



1 SECTION 10. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2021.

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H.B. NO. 844

Report Title:

Procurement; Past Performance; Appropriation

Description:

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