

Honolulu, Hawaii
MAR 01 , 2024

RE: H.B. No. 2620
H.D. 2

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-Second State Legislature
Regular Session of 2024
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 2620, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
PROCUREMENT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Exempt Department of Education purchases of local edible produce and packaged food products that are less than \$100,000 from the electronic procurement system requirement; and
- (2) Require at least three written quotes for Department of Education purchases of local edible produce and packaged food products of \$15,000 to less than \$100,000.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Education; Ulupono Initiative; Hawai'i Farm Bureau; Hawai'i Public Health Institute; Hawaii Ulu Cooperative; Center for Getting Things Started; and five individuals. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the State Procurement Office.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:



- (1) Changing the minimum and maximum procurement thresholds for local edible produce and package food products to be exempt from the electronic procurement system and for the three-quote requirement to unspecified amounts; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2620, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2620, H.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Finance,



KYLE T. YAMASHITA, Chair



