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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PROCUREMENT.

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

1           SECTION 1. The legislature finds that as the largest  
2 department in the State with two hundred ninety-five schools and  
3 forty-two thousand salaried and part-time employees, the  
4 department of education must procure voluminous amounts of goods  
5 and services to run its operation. However, the department's  
6 small purchase procurement capacity is limited to under \$25,000  
7 per twelve-month period, positioning the department as the only  
8 state department to not receive an increase threshold of  
9 \$100,000 for small purchase procurement.

10           The legislature further finds that the department of  
11 education is mandated to provide at least thirty per cent  
12 locally sourced foods to Hawaii's public schools by 2030.  
13 Increasing the department's small purchase procurement capacity  
14 for local edible produce and packaged food products will assist  
15 the department in fulfilling its mandate to provide locally  
16 sourced foods for the State's public schools.



1           The purpose of this Act is to adjust the department of  
2 education's small purchase procurement capacity by:

3           (1) Exempting purchases of local edible produce and  
4           packaged food products less than \$100,000 from the  
5           electronic procurement system requirement; and

6           (2) Requiring no less than three written quotes for  
7           purchases of local edible produce and packaged food  
8           products between \$15,000 to less than \$100,000.

9           SECTION 2. Chapter 302A, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
10 amended by adding to part V a new section to be appropriately  
11 designated and to read as follows:

12           "§302A-           Education local edible produce and packaged  
13 food products procurement; small purchases. Notwithstanding  
14 section 103D-305(c) and any other law to the contrary,  
15 procurements of less than \$100,000 for local edible produce and  
16 packaged food products for the department shall be exempt from  
17 the requirement to conduct such procurements through an  
18 electronic system and shall only be subject to no less than  
19 three written quotes for procurements of \$15,000 to less than  
20 \$100,000."

21           SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.



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1 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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**Report Title:**

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**Description:**

Exempts Department of Education purchases of local edible produce and packaged food products less than \$100,000 from the electronic procurement system requirement. Requires at least three written quotes for Department of Education purchases of local edible produce and packaged food products between \$15,000 to less than \$100,000.

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