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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE HAWAII PUBLIC PROCUREMENT CODE.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 103D-802, Hawaii Revised Statutes,
- 2 requires cooperative agreements of public procurement units of
- 3 the State or counties to be regulated in accordance with
- 4 administrative rules adopted by the state procurement policy
- 5 board. The legislature finds that the counties are limited by
- 6 the provisions of the Hawaii Administrative Rules with respect
- 7 to cooperative purchasing agreements, notwithstanding compliance
- 8 with the competitive selection process. As a result, a county
- 9 may not be able to enter into a competitive contract that is the
- 10 most cost-efficient choice for taxpayers. A county is in the
- 11 best position to determine for itself whether a cooperative
- 12 purchase meets its particular needs, and should therefore be
- 13 able to enter into such a purchase without the limitations
- 14 imposed by administrative rule.
- 15 The purpose of this Act is to repeal the requirement that
- 16 cooperative purchases be regulated in accordance with

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- 1 administrative rules adopted by the state procurement policy
- 2 board.
- 3 SECTION 2. Section 103D-802, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 4 amended to read as follows:
- 5 "\$103D-802 Cooperative purchasing authorized. A public
- 6 procurement unit may either participate in, sponsor, conduct, or
- 7 administer a cooperative purchasing agreement for the
- 8 procurement of goods, services, or construction with one or more
- 9 public procurement units, external procurement units, or
- 10 nonprofit private procurement units pursuant to [rules adopted
- 11 by the policy board and agreement entered into between the
- 12 participants. The cooperative purchasing may include, but shall
- 13 not be limited to, joint or multi-party contracts between public
- 14 procurement units, and state public procurement unit
- 15 requirements contracts which are made available to local public
- 16 procurement units. Cooperative purchasing agreements may be
- 17 exempt from preferences pursuant to part X."
- 18 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 19 and stricken.
- 20 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Description:

Repeals requirement that county cooperative purchases adhere to administrative rules adopted by the state procurement policy board.