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 system of awarding contracts for public construction under chapter 103, 2 3 Hawaii Revised Statutes, and for public procurement purchases 4 under chapter 103D, Hawaii Revised Statutes, needs to be 5 improved by requiring a thorough examination of a prospective 6 contractor's record of compliance with the state labor laws. 7 The legislature is concerned that contractors who have a history 8 of violating state labor laws may gain an unfair advantage over 9 other contractors who comply with state labor laws in the 10 bidding process.

11 The purpose of this Act is to enact the responsible
12 construction contractor law.

13 SECTION 2. The Hawaii Revised Statutes is amended by 14 adding a new chapter to be appropriately designated and to read 15 as follows:

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RESPONSIBLE CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTOR LAW

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\$ -A Applicability. (a) This chapter shall apply to
 public works contracts under chapter 103 and to procurements for
 construction under chapter 103D, if the general contract amount
 is \$250,000 or more and to any subcontract of \$50,000 or more in
 connection with any general contract.

6 (b) This chapter shall not apply to employees covered by a
7 collective bargaining agreement under chapter 89 if the
8 applicability of this chapter is expressly waived in the
9 collective bargaining agreement in clear and unambiguous terms.

10 § -B Definitions. As used in this chapter, the terms 11 "contract" and "contractor", shall have the same meaning as in 12 section 103D-104, as those terms apply to construction. The 13 term "construction" shall have the same meaning as in section 14 103D-104.

15 S -C Prerequisites for award of contract. (a) A 16 contractor who submits a bid for a contract for construction 17 shall show proof under subsection (c) to the comptroller or 18 county counterpart for contracts under chapter 103 or to the 19 procurement officer for contracts under chapter 103D, as a 20 prerequisite to being awarded a construction contract; provided 21 that this subsection shall be deemed to be a provision of any 22 contract between the contractor and subcontractor. SB687 SD1.DOC *SB687 SD1.DOC* *SB687 SD1.DOC*

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1	(b) A subcontractor who subcontracts with a contractor
2	under subsection (a), for a subcontract for construction shall
3	show proof under subsection (c) to the comptroller or county
4	counterpart for contracts under chapter 103 or to the
5	procurement officer for contracts under chapter 103D, as a
6	prerequisite to being awarded a subcontract; provided that the
7	contractor shall be primarily responsible for presentation of
8	the show of proof under this subsection; and provided further
9	that this subsection shall be incorporated by reference in any
10	contract between the contractor and subcontractor.
11	(c) A contractor or subcontractor, as applicable, shall
12	comply with the following prerequisites:
13	(1) Maintain and participate in a bona fide apprenticeship
14	program under chapter 372, with regards to each trade
15	or occupation fitting for apprenticeship that:
16	(A) Is involved in the particular construction
17	project;
18	(B) Is approved by the department of labor and
19	industrial relations; and
20	(C) Abides by journeyman ratio for each trade as
21	required for the performance of the contract.

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1	(2)	Comply with the requirements under section 104-2 with
2		regard to prevailing wages;
3	(3)	Commit to hiring Hawaii residents to compose not less
4		than eighty per cent of the workforce on the project;
5		provided that the department of labor and industrial
6		relations shall determine those trades in a shortage
7		category in this State, in which case this paragraph
8		shall not apply to shortage category trades; and
9		provided further that those firms that satisfy this
10		paragraph shall be entitled to an adjustment in the
11		bid amount by subtracting thereto per cent;
12	(4)	Provide its employees with a fair and neutral process
13		for resolving work-related issues, not including
14		forcing the employee to waive statutory remedies and
15		rights; and
16	(5)	Be appropriately licensed.
17	S	-D Compliance duration; compliance officer. Each
18	contracto	r and subcontractor shall:
19	(1)	Comply with section -C for the entire duration of
20		the contract of construction; and
21	(2)	Certify compliance with section -C, under oath, by
22		an officer of the contractor and subcontractor, to the

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1		comptroller, or county counterpart, or procurement
2		officer, as applicable, on a monthly basis.
3	Ş	-E Failure to comply; sanctions. A contractor or
4	subcontra	ctor under this chapter who fails to comply with
5	section	-C, shall be subject to any of the following
6	sanctions	:
7	(1)	Temporary suspension of work on the project until
8		there is compliance;
9	(2)	Withholding of payment on the contract or subcontract,
10		as applicable, until there is compliance;
11	(3)	Permanent disqualification from any further work on
12		the project;
13	(4)	Recovery by the State or county, as applicable, of any
14		moneys expended on the contract or subcontract, as
15		applicable; and
16	(5)	Proceedings for debarment or suspension under section
17		103D-702."
18	SECT	ION 3. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
19	matured,	penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
20	begun, be	fore its effective date.

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1	SECTION 4. In codifying this Act, the revisor shall
2	substitute appropriate section numbers for the letters used in
3	section 2 of this Act.
4	SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.



Report Title:

Procurement; Responsible Construction Contractor Law

Description:

Enacts the responsible construction contractor law for government procurements of construction projects. (SD1)