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TESTIMONY
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TO THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

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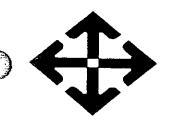
SB 758, SD 1, HD 1

RELATING TO SMALL BUSINESS.

Chair Oshiro, Vice Chair Lee, and committee members, thank you for the opportunity to testify on SB 758, SD 1, HD 1. This bill proposes to include small purchase procurements limited to \$2,500 or greater by governing entities to be compliant with all laws related to doing business in the State, including those pertaining to labor laws for the department of labor and industrial relations, tax clearance from the department of taxation and the Internal Revenue Service and compliance with the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs.

The State Procurement Office supports this bill and requests that the implementation date for this bill be delayed to October 1, 2011 to allow ample notification to the purchasing agencies that would be required to implement and the business community required to be in compliance, rather than shall take effect "upon its approval" or "July 1".

Thank you.



The Hawaii Business League

March 30, 2011

Testimony To:

House Committee on Finance

Representative Marcus R. Oshiro, Chair

Presented By:

Tim Lyons

President

Subject:

S.B. 758, SD 1, HD 1 - RELATING TO SMALL BUSINESS

Chair Oshiro and Members of the Committee:

I am Tim Lyons, President of the Hawaii Business League, a small business service organization. We support this bill.

We know from our members that are in the construction sector that the Hawaii compliance express has worked very well for those vendors. It has expedited the award process and we find that is a positive thing for both the vendor and for the state or county.

It is based on that then that we can support this effort and the use of the Hawaii compliance express.

Thank you.