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WRITTEN TESTIMONY OF CURT T. OTAGURO, COMPTROLLER DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES TO THE

SENATE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2022, 3:00 P.M. VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE, STATE CAPITOL

S.B. 3373

RELATING TO PUBLIC PROCUREMENT

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Chair Moriwaki, Vice Chair Dela Cruz, and members of the Committee, thank you for

the opportunity to submit testimony on S.B. 3373. The Department of Accounting and General

Services (DAGS) supports this bill which serves to clarify the deadline for submitting written

protests that are based on the content of a solicitation.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony on this matter.

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TESTIMONY OF BONNIE KAHAKUI, ACTING ADMINISTRATOR STATE PROCUREMENT OFFICE

TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS FEBRUARY 3, 2022, 3 P.M.

SENATE BILL 3373 RELATING TO THE PROCUREMENT CODE

Chair Moriwaki, Vice Chair Delacruz, and members of the committee, thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony on Senate Bill 3373. The State Procurement Office (SPO) supports the intent of the bill to clarify the language regarding requirements for submitting protests.

Thank you.

February 3, 2022

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From: Malcolm Barcarse, Jr. ABC Hawaii Legislative Committee Chair.

Associated Builders and Contractors Hawaii Chapter COMMENTS Re SB 3373.

Chair Moriwaki, Vice Chair Dela Cruz, and members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to testify, my name is Malcolm Barcarse, Jr. 1 am currently the Legislative Committee Chair of Associated Builders and Contractors, Hawaii Chapter which represents over 150 member companies in the Construction Industry. We also have a State Approved Trade Apprenticeship Program in the trades of Carpentry, Electrical, Painting, Plumbing and Roofing.

ABC Hawaii appreciates the attempt to simplify this statute. However, we would also ask that the provision that says, "A protest shall be submitted in writing within five working days after the aggrieved person knows or should have known of the facts giving rise there to" should also be deleted. This would give a clear bright line rule as to what the deadlines are for a protest of an award versus a protest of the contents of a solicitation. This would also give contractors the breathing room necessary to be abide by the spirit of SB3371 which we asked in our testimony on that bill to be combined with this bill.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify

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