STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2955

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 0 1 2024 RE: S.B. No. 2536 S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi President of the Senate Thirty-Second State Legislature Regular Session of 2024 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 2536, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PROCUREMENT PREFERENCES AND RECIPROCITY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to encourage the growth and sustainability of businesses that employ Hawaii residents by providing those businesses with a competitive advantage in government contracts.

More specifically, this measure:

- (1) Establishes a new accounting services procurement preference for certain Hawaii accounting service businesses; and
- (2) Clarifies that the existing reciprocity procurement preference includes offerors pursuant to sections 103D-302 and 103D-303, HRS.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from Accuity, LLP.

Your Committee received written comments in opposition to this measure from the State Procurement Office.



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Your Committee finds that the measure will help ensure that a robust accounting profession is maintained in the State.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2536, S.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Ways and Means,

DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ,

The Senate Thirty-Second Legislature State of Hawaiʻi

Record of Votes Committee on Ways and Means WAM

	ommittee G∨O,			Date: 2128/24	
The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.					
The Recommendation is:					
Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit 2312 2311 2310 2313					
Members		Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M. (C)		+			
MORIWAKI, Sharon Y. (VC)		7			
AQUINO, Henry J.C.		×			
DECOITE, Lynn		7			
HASHIMOTO, Troy N.		*	+		
INOUYE, Lorraine R.		×	1		
KANUHA, Dru Mamo		<u>+</u> + +			
KIDANI, Michelle N.		7			
KIM, Donna Mercado		+			
LEE, Chris		\checkmark	[
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.					X
WAKAI, Glenn		×			7
FEVELLA, Kurt		X			
TOTAL		12			
Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted					
Chair's or Designee's Signature:					
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*Only <u>one</u> measure per Record of Votes