REPORT TO THE 2011 LEGISLATURE

REPORT ON

REQUESTING THE UH PROCUREMENT INSTITUTE TO REVIEW THE POLICIES AND REQUIREMENTS IN THE AWARDING OF STATE ENERGY SERVICE CONTRACTS

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 288
H.D. 1

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A Report to the 2011 Legislature
In Response to HCR 288 H.D. 1

House Concurrent Resolution No. 228 H.D. 1, is requesting the University of Hawai‘i Procurement Institute to review and if necessary convene a working group to review the pre-qualification criteria for "preferred vendor" status and request proposals used to award contracts for work on state contracts performed by energy service providers. The working group may consist of the Department of Accounting and General Services, the Administrator of the State Procurement Office, the High Technology Development Corporation, and other interested and affected parties. The working group's assessments are requested to include, but not be limited to:

(1) Determining whether state contracts for energy efficiency projects may be divided into "large" and "small" contracts to enable local energy service companies to compete more aggressively for state projects; for example, whether Hawai‘i based energy services companies can be given preference for state projects that are five hundred thousand square feet or less;

(2) Examining the economic benefits of requiring the State to allow locally-owned energy services companies to provide direct services to the State to assess, design, and implement energy-saving projects and use municipal leases as the project funding source; and

(3) Examining ways to incentivize partnerships between local and out-of-state companies for energy efficiency projects at state facilities;

The University of Hawai‘i supports the intent of HCR 228 H.D. 1; however, without sufficient funds for such additional work from the Hawai‘i State Legislature, and our limited resources, the UH Procurement Institute is unable to complete the tasks set forth within this concurrent resolution.