A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE PROCUREMENT CODE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that copper wire theft is 2 an increasing problem statewide and nationwide as well. 3 crimes are costly and inconvenient. Though penalties may be 4 increased and investigations commenced, the legislature finds 5 that an even-handed approach to deter these criminal activities 6 may be preferable. The purpose of this Act is to deter theft of 7 copper wire by setting a preference in the public procurement 8 code for stamped wiring. SECTION 2. Chapter 103D, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 9 10 amended by adding a new section to part X to be appropriately 11 designated and to read as follows: 12 <u>Copper wiring.</u> In any expenditure of public 13 funds to procure copper wiring, where the price of the copper 14 wiring exceeds fifty cents per foot, a preference shall be given 15 for purposes of bid evaluation to a bid that: 16 (1)Specifies copper wiring that has been stamped for 17 identification; and 18
 - (2) Is among the lowest three bids submitted."

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1 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title:

Procurement code

Description:

Establishes a preference under the public procurement code for stamped copper wiring that is within the lowest three bids submitted where the price of the wiring exceeds 50¢ per foot.

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