

EX 06-17



**STATE PROCUREMENT OFFICE
NOTICE OF AND REQUEST FOR EXEMPTION
FROM CHAPTER 103D, HRS**

1. TO: Head of Purchasing Agency
2. FROM: Hawaii Health Systems Corporation

Department/Division/Agency

Pursuant to §103D-102(b)(4), HRS, and Chapter 3-120, HAR, the Department requests a procurement exemption to purchase the following:

3. Description of goods, services or construction:

For Services of Mrs. Linda Chu-Takayama to provide lobbying services, and consultation / information / advice to HHSC Board of Directors and management on legislative and other strategic and tactical issues that may have direct or potential impact on HHSC.

4. Name of Vendor: Linda Chu Takayama, Attorney at Law

Address: P.O. Box 1196
Honolulu, Hawaii 96807

5. Price:

\$ 62,500.00

6. Term of Contract: From: July 1, 2006 To: June 30, 2007

7. Prior Exemption Ref. No.

8. Explanation describing how procurement by competitive means is either not practicable nor advantageous to the State: Mrs Takayama, has extensive experience and knowledge working in and with the Hawaii State Legislature. She is well trusted and well respected by the HHSC Board of Directors for her sound and sage advice on a variety of strategic and oftentimes very sensitive matters and that kind of trust-relationship is not easily or quickly replaced. Mrs. Takayama personally knows and has worked with on many occasions a very large number of Legislators at the State Capitol. She has been associated with HHSC for over 6 years in a consultant / advisor / lobbyist capacity. Because of the many sensitive, political and sometimes controversial issues and actions that a Lobbyist must deal with on a regular basis, it is not only impractical but also inappropriate to solicit contractor bids to become a "lobbyist" for an organization and therefore an exempt procurement for a Lobbyist is the only viable option.

9. Details of the process or procedures to be followed in selecting the vendor to ensure maximum fair and open competition as practicable:

Management will review availability of other lobbyists / healthcare leaders and/or attorneys with extensive experience at the State and national level with the operations and challenges and strategies used in public hospitals and also the knowledge and personal experience with the process that led to the creation of HHSC.

10. A description of the agency's internal controls and approval requirements for the exempted procurement:

The Director for Contract Management reviews request for Exemption for sufficiency prior to submission to the President and CEO for action.


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12. A list of agency personnel, by position, who will be involved in the approval process and administration of the contract:		
Name	Position	Involvement in Process
Kelley Roberson	CFO/COO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Administration
Thomas M. Driskill, Jr.	President	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Administration
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13. Direct inquiries to: Department: Corporate
 Contact Name: Kelley Roberson
 Phone Number: 808-733-4171
 Fax Number: 808-733-4664

14. This exemption should be considered for list of exemptions attached to Chapter 3-120, HAR: YES NO
 Agency shall ensure adherence to applicable administrative and statutory requirements

15. I certify that the information provided above is, to the best of my knowledge, true and correct.

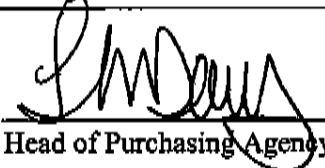
 Kelley C. Roberson, COO & CFO
 Department Head Date 06/14/06

16. Date Notice Posted 6/16/06

The Head of the Purchasing Agency is in the process of reviewing this request for exemption from Chapter 103D, HRS. Submit written objections to this notice to issue an exemption from Chapter 103D, HRS, within seven calendar days or as otherwise allowed from the above posted date to: Head of Purchasing Agency
 HHSC
 3675 Kilauea Ave.
 Honolulu, Hawaii 96816

Head of Purchasing Agency's comments:

17. APPROVED DISAPPROVED

 Head of Purchasing Agency Date 06/28/06