



**STATE PROCUREMENT OFFICE
NOTICE OF REQUEST TO AMEND AN EXEMPTION
FROM HRS CHAPTER 103D CONTRACT**

TO: Chief Procurement Officer

FROM: Office of Hawaiian Affairs, Board of Trustees
Name of Requesting Department

Pursuant to HRS §103D-102(b)(4) and HAR section 3-120-5(d), the Department requests to amend an exempt contract as follows:

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| 1. SPO-007, Exemption Reference (PE) Number: 26-05 |
| 2. Vendor/Contractor/Service Provider Name: Akin, Gump, Strauss, Hauer, & Feld LLP |

<p>3. Describe the goods and/or services:</p> <p>The Contractor shall be based in Washington, DC and provide federal government relations and advocacy firm to support OHA's engagement with Congress and federal agencies on policy matters affecting military-leased lands in Hawai'i, including provisions of the FY2027 National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA). The Contractor shall provide strategic legislative advocacy, policy analysis, and government relations support to help OHA navigate federal defense policy processes, advance recognition of Native Hawaiian cultural, environmental, and Public Land Trust interests, promote adherence to Department of Defense consultation obligations with Native Hawaiian organizations, and facilitate relationships between OHA leadership and key federal policymakers.</p>

<p>4. Explain in detail what is being amended:</p> <p>Extend the end date of the initial term to December 31, 2026. Contract Term, as amended: April 1, 2026 - December 31, 2026.</p> <p>Amend total compensation to \$148,500.00.</p>
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5. Amended contract price for this request: <u>\$148,500.00</u>

<p>6. Explain in detail why the amendment(s) are necessary:</p> <p>The amended end date is necessary for OHA to have federal government relations and advocacy services through the end of the year.</p> <p>The compensation amendment is necessary to cover the monthly retainer fee of \$16,500.00.</p>

7. Identify the primary responsible staff person(s) conducting and managing this procurement. Appropriate delegated procurement authority and completion of mandatory training required.)

*Point of contact (Place asterisk after name of person to contact for additional information.)

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All requirements/approvals and internal controls for this expenditure is the responsibility of the department. I certify that the information provided is to the best of my knowledge, true and correct.



04/01/2026

Department Head Signature

Date

For Chief Procurement Officer Use Only

Date Notice Posted: _____

Submit written objection to this notice to issue an exempt contract within seven calendar days or as otherwise allowed from date notice posted to:

state.procurement.office@hawaii.gov

Chief Procurement Officer (CPO) Comments:

Approved Disapproved No Action Required

Chief Procurement Officer

Date