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HOUSE BILL NO. 1354

97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE FITZPATRICK.

4595H.01I D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To repeal sections 8.681 and 34.040, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof three new sections relating to competitive bidding.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Sections 8.681 and 34.040, RSMo, are repealed and three new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 8.681, 34.040, and 88.005 to read as follows:

8.681. When selecting a construction manager for a project, the public owner shall consider the following for each construction manager who has submitted a proposal: fees for 2 3 overhead and profit; reimbursable costs for reimbursable items as defined in the public owner's request for proposal; qualifications; demonstration of ability to perform projects comparable in design, scope and complexity; demonstration of good faith efforts to achieve compliance with federal, state and local affirmative action requirements; references of owners for whom construction management has been performed; financial strength; qualifications of in-house personnel who will manage the project; whether the construction manager is a local business; and the demonstration of successful management systems which have been employed for the 10 purposes of estimating, scheduling and cost controls. The public owner may negotiate a contract 11 for construction management services with any construction manager thus selected. If the public owner is unable to negotiate a contract for the type of services required with any of the 12 construction managers selected for a project at a price determined by the public owner to be fair 13 14 and reasonable, the public owner shall reevaluate the necessary construction management services, including the scope and reasonable fee requirements, and again advertise and solicit 15 16 proposals from construction managers complying with the terms of the revised requests for

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

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proposal.

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34.040. 1. All purchases in excess of three thousand dollars shall be based on competitive bids, except as otherwise provided in this chapter.

- 2. On any purchase where the estimated expenditure shall be twenty-five thousand dollars or over, except as provided in subsection 5 of this section, the commissioner of administration shall:
- (1) Advertise for bids in at least two daily newspapers of general circulation in such places as are most likely to reach prospective bidders and may advertise in at least two weekly minority newspapers and may provide such information through an electronic medium available to the general public at least five days before bids for such purchases are to be opened. Other methods of advertisement, which may include minority business purchase councils, however, may be adopted by the commissioner of administration when such other methods are deemed more advantageous for the supplies to be purchased;
 - (2) Post a notice of the proposed purchase in his or her office; and
- (3) Solicit bids by mail or other reasonable method generally available to the public from prospective suppliers. All bids for such supplies shall be mailed or delivered to the office of the commissioner of administration so as to reach such office before the time set for opening bids.
- 3. The contract shall be let to the lowest and best bidder. As used in this subsection, the term lowest and best bidder may include as a consideration the locality of the prospective supplier. The commissioner of administration shall have the right to reject any or all bids and advertise for new bids, or purchase the required supplies on the open market if they can be so purchased at a better price. When bids received pursuant to this section are unreasonable or unacceptable as to terms and conditions, noncompetitive, or the low bid exceeds available funds and it is determined in writing by the commissioner of administration that time or other circumstances will not permit the delay required to resolicit competitive bids, a contract may be negotiated pursuant to this section, provided that each responsible bidder who submitted such bid under the original solicitation is notified of the determination and is given a reasonable opportunity to modify their bid and submit a best and final bid to the state. In cases where the bids received are noncompetitive or the low bid exceeds available funds, the negotiated price shall be lower than the lowest rejected bid of any responsible bidder under the original solicitation.
- 4. All bids shall be based on standard specifications wherever such specifications have been approved by the commissioner of administration. The commissioner of administration shall make rules governing the delivery, inspection, storage and distribution of all supplies so purchased and governing the manner in which all claims for supplies delivered shall be submitted, examined, approved and paid. The commissioner shall determine the amount of bond or deposit and the character thereof which shall accompany bids or contracts.

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 5. The department of natural resources may, without the approval of the commissioner of administration required pursuant to this section, enter into contracts of up to five hundred thousand dollars to abate illegal waste tire sites pursuant to section 260.276 when the director of the department determines that urgent action is needed to protect public health, safety, natural resources or the environment. The department shall follow bidding procedures pursuant to this section and may promulgate rules necessary to establish such procedures. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 1999, shall be invalid and void.

6. The commissioner of administration and other agencies to which the state purchasing law applies shall not contract for goods or services with a vendor if the vendor or an affiliate of the vendor makes sales at retail of tangible personal property or for the purpose of storage, use, or consumption in this state but fails to collect and properly pay the tax as provided in chapter 144. For the purposes of this section, "affiliate of the vendor" shall mean any person or entity that is controlled by or is under common control with the vendor, whether through stock ownership or otherwise.

88.005. As used in this chapter, the term lowest and best bidder may include as a consideration the locality of the prospective supplier.

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