1 AN ACT concerning finance.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- Section 5. The State Officials and Employees Ethics Act is amended by changing Section 20-5 as follows:
- 6 (5 ILCS 430/20-5)

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- 7 Sec. 20-5. Executive Ethics Commission.
- 8 (a) The Executive Ethics Commission is created.
 - (b) The Executive Ethics Commission shall consist of 9 commissioners. The Governor shall appoint 5 commissioners, and the Attorney General, Secretary of State, Comptroller, and Treasurer shall each appoint one commissioner. Appointments shall be made by and with the advice and consent of the Senate by three-fifths of the elected members concurring by record vote. Any nomination not acted upon by the Senate within 60 session days of the receipt thereof shall be deemed to have received the advice and consent of the Senate. If, during a recess of the Senate, there is a vacancy in an office of commissioner, the appointing authority shall make a temporary appointment until the next meeting of the Senate when the appointing authority shall make a nomination to fill that office. No person rejected for an office of commissioner shall, except by the Senate's request, be nominated again for that

- 1 office at the same session of the Senate or be appointed to
- 2 that office during a recess of that Senate. No more than 5
- 3 commissioners may be of the same political party.
- 4 The terms of the initial commissioners shall commence upon
- 5 qualification. Four initial appointees of the Governor, as
- 6 designated by the Governor, shall serve terms running through
- June 30, 2007. One initial appointee of the Governor, as
- 8 designated by the Governor, and the initial appointees of the
- 9 Attorney General, Secretary of State, Comptroller, and
- 10 Treasurer shall serve terms running through June 30, 2008. The
- initial appointments shall be made within 60 days after the
- 12 effective date of this Act.
- 13 After the initial terms, commissioners shall serve for
- 4-year terms commencing on July 1 of the year of appointment
- and running through June 30 of the fourth following year.
- 16 Commissioners may be reappointed to one or more subsequent
- 17 terms.
- 18 Vacancies occurring other than at the end of a term shall
- 19 be filled by the appointing authority only for the balance of
- the term of the commissioner whose office is vacant.
- 21 Terms shall run regardless of whether the position is
- 22 filled.
- 23 (c) The appointing authorities shall appoint commissioners
- 24 who have experience holding governmental office or employment
- and shall appoint commissioners from the general public. A
- 26 person is not eligible to serve as a commissioner if that

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- person (i) has been convicted of a felony or a crime of dishonesty or moral turpitude, (ii) is, or was within the preceding 12 months, engaged in activities that require registration under the Lobbyist Registration Act, (iii) is related to the appointing authority, or (iv) is a State officer or employee.
 - (d) The Executive Ethics Commission shall have jurisdiction over all officers and employees of State agencies other than the General Assembly, the Senate, the House of Representatives, the President and Minority Leader of the Senate, the Speaker and Minority Leader of the House of Representatives, the Senate Operations Commission, the legislative support services agencies, and the Office of the Auditor General. The Executive Ethics Commission shall have jurisdiction over all board members and employees of Regional Transit Boards. The jurisdiction of the Commission is limited to matters arising under this Act, except as provided in subsection (d-5).

A member or legislative branch State employee serving on an executive branch board or commission remains subject to the jurisdiction of the Legislative Ethics Commission and is not subject to the jurisdiction of the Executive Ethics Commission.

(d-5) The Executive Ethics Commission shall have jurisdiction over all chief procurement officers and procurement compliance monitors and their respective staffs. The Executive Ethics Commission shall have jurisdiction over

- any matters arising under the Illinois Procurement Code if the Commission is given explicit authority in that Code.
 - (d-6) (1) The Executive Ethics Commission shall have jurisdiction over the Illinois Power Agency and its staff. The Director of the Agency shall be appointed by a majority of the commissioners of the Executive Ethics Commission, subject to Senate confirmation, for a term of 2 years. The Director is removable for cause by a majority of the Commission upon a finding of neglect, malfeasance, absence, or incompetence.
 - (2) In case of a vacancy in the office of Director of the Illinois Power Agency during a recess of the Senate, the Executive Ethics Commission may make a temporary appointment until the next meeting of the Senate, at which time the Executive Ethics Commission shall nominate some person to fill the office, and any person so nominated who is confirmed by the Senate shall hold office during the remainder of the term and until his or her successor is appointed and qualified. Nothing in this subsection shall prohibit the Executive Ethics Commission from removing a temporary appointee or from appointing a temporary appointee as the Director of the Illinois Power Agency.
 - (3) Prior to June 1, 2012, the Executive Ethics Commission may, until the Director of the Illinois Power Agency is appointed and qualified or a temporary appointment is made pursuant to paragraph (2) of this subsection, designate some person as an acting Director to execute the powers and

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- discharge the duties vested by law in that Director. An acting
 Director shall serve no later than 60 calendar days, or upon
 the making of an appointment pursuant to paragraph (1) or (2)
 of this subsection, whichever is earlier. Nothing in this
 subsection shall prohibit the Executive Ethics Commission from
 removing an acting Director or from appointing an acting
 Director as the Director of the Illinois Power Agency.
 - (4) No person rejected by the Senate for the office of Director of the Illinois Power Agency shall, except at the Senate's request, be nominated again for that office at the same session or be appointed to that office during a recess of that Senate.
 - (e) The Executive Ethics Commission must meet, either in person or by other technological means, at least monthly and as often as necessary. At the first meeting of the Executive Ethics Commission, the commissioners shall choose from their number a chairperson and other officers that they deem appropriate. The terms of officers shall be for 2 years commencing July 1 and running through June 30 of the second following year. Meetings shall be held at the call of the chairperson or any 3 commissioners. Official action by the Commission shall require the affirmative 5 vote commissioners, and a quorum shall consist of 5 commissioners. Commissioners shall receive compensation in an amount equal to the compensation of members of the State Board of Elections and may be reimbursed for their reasonable expenses actually

- 1 incurred in the performance of their duties.
- 2 (f) No commissioner or employee of the Executive Ethics 3 Commission may during his or her term of appointment or 4 employment:
 - (1) become a candidate for any elective office;
 - (2) hold any other elected or appointed public office except for appointments on governmental advisory boards or study commissions or as otherwise expressly authorized by law:
 - (3) be actively involved in the affairs of any political party or political organization; or
 - (4) advocate for the appointment of another person to an appointed or elected office or position or actively participate in any campaign for any elective office.
 - (g) An appointing authority may remove a commissioner only for cause.
 - (h) The Executive Ethics Commission shall appoint an Executive Director. The compensation of the Executive Director shall be as determined by the Commission. The Executive Director of the Executive Ethics Commission may employ and determine the compensation of staff, as appropriations permit.
 - (i) The Executive Ethics Commission shall appoint, by a majority of the members appointed to the Commission, chief procurement officers and <u>may appoint</u> procurement compliance monitors in accordance with the provisions of the Illinois Procurement Code. The compensation of a chief procurement

- 1 officer and procurement compliance monitor shall be determined
- 2 by the Commission.
- 3 (Source: P.A. 96-555, eff. 8-18-09; 96-1528, eff. 7-1-11;
- 4 97-618, eff. 10-26-11; 97-677, eff. 2-6-12.)
- 5 Section 10. The Illinois Procurement Code is amended by
- 6 re-enacting and changing Sections 1-12 and 1-13, by changing
- 7 Sections 1-10, 1-15.20, 5-5, 5-30, 10-10, 10-15, 15-25, 20-10,
- 8 20-15, 20-20, 20-25, 20-30, 20-43, 20-155, 20-160, 20-170,
- 9 25-85, 40-25, 45-30, 45-45, 45-57, 50-2, 50-10, 50-10.5, 50-40,
- and 50-45, and by adding Sections 1-12.1, 1-13.1, 1-15.47,
- 11 1-15.48, 20-170, and 25-85 as follows:
- 12 (30 ILCS 500/1-10)
- 13 Sec. 1-10. Application.
- 14 (a) This Code applies only to procurements for which
- 15 bidders, offerors, potential contractors, or contractors were
- 16 first solicited on or after July 1, 1998. This Code shall not
- 17 be construed to affect or impair any contract, or any provision
- 18 of a contract, entered into based on a solicitation prior to
- 19 the implementation date of this Code as described in Article
- 20 99, including but not limited to any covenant entered into with
- 21 respect to any revenue bonds or similar instruments. All
- 22 procurements for which contracts are solicited between the
- effective date of Articles 50 and 99 and July 1, 1998 shall be
- 24 substantially in accordance with this Code and its intent.

- 1 (b) This Code shall apply regardless of the source of the 2 funds with which the contracts are paid, including federal 3 assistance moneys. This Code shall not apply to:
 - (1) Contracts between the State and its political subdivisions or other governments, or between State governmental bodies except as specifically provided in this Code.
 - (2) Grants, except for the filing requirements of Section 20-80.
 - (3) Purchase of care.
 - (4) Hiring of an individual as employee and not as an independent contractor, whether pursuant to an employment code or policy or by contract directly with that individual.
 - (5) Collective bargaining contracts.
 - (6) Purchase of real estate, except that notice of this type of contract with a value of more than \$25,000 must be published in the Procurement Bulletin within 10 calendar days after the deed is recorded in the county of jurisdiction. The notice shall identify the real estate purchased, the names of all parties to the contract, the value of the contract, and the effective date of the contract.
 - (7) Contracts necessary to prepare for anticipated litigation, enforcement actions, or investigations, provided that the chief legal counsel to the Governor shall

give his or her prior approval when the procuring agency is one subject to the jurisdiction of the Governor, and provided that the chief legal counsel of any other procuring entity subject to this Code shall give his or her prior approval when the procuring entity is not one subject to the jurisdiction of the Governor.

- (8) Contracts for services to Northern Illinois University by a person, acting as an independent contractor, who is qualified by education, experience, and technical ability and is selected by negotiation for the purpose of providing non-credit educational service activities or products by means of specialized programs offered by the university.
- (9) Procurement expenditures by the Illinois Conservation Foundation when only private funds are used.
- (10) Procurement expenditures by the Illinois Health Information Exchange Authority involving private funds from the Health Information Exchange Fund. "Private funds" means gifts, donations, and private grants.
- (11) Public-private agreements entered into <u>in</u> accordance with any law of this State. according to the procurement requirements of Section 20 of the Public-Private Partnerships for Transportation Act and design-build agreements entered into according to the procurement requirements of Section 25 of the Public Private Partnerships for Transportation Act.

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- (12) Contracts for legal, financial, and other professional and artistic services entered into on or before December 31, 2018 by the Illinois Finance Authority in which the State of Illinois is not obligated. Such contracts shall be awarded through a competitive process authorized by the Board of the Illinois Finance Authority and are subject to Sections 5-30, 20-160, 50-13, 50-20, 50-35, and 50-37 of this Code, as well as the final approval by the Board of the Illinois Finance Authority of the terms of the contract.
- (13) The provisions of this paragraph (13), other than this sentence, are inoperative on and after January 1, 2019 or 2 years after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 99th General Assembly, whichever is later. Contracts for services, commodities, and equipment to support the delivery of timely forensic science services consultation with and subject to the approval of the Chief Procurement Officer as provided in subsection (d) of Section 5-4-3a of the Unified Code of Corrections, except for the requirements of Sections 20-60, 20-65, 20-70, and 20-160 and Article 50 of this Code; however, the Chief Procurement Officer may, in writing with justification, waive any certification required under Article 50 of this Code. For any contracts for services which are currently provided by members of a collective bargaining agreement, the applicable terms of the collective bargaining

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agreement concerning subcontracting shall be followed.

(14) Contracts for participation expenditures required by a domestic or international trade show or exhibition of an exhibitor, member, or sponsor.

(15) Contracts with a railroad or utility that requires the State to reimburse the railroad or utilities for the relocation of utilities for construction or other public purposes. Contracts included within this paragraph (14) shall include, but not be limited to, those associated with relocation, crossings, installations, and maintenance. For the purposes of this paragraph (14), "railroad" means any form of non-highway ground transportation that runs on rails or electromagnetic guideways and "utility" means: (1) public utilities as defined in Section 3-105 of the Public Utilities Act, (2) telecommunication carriers as defined in Section 13-202 of the Public Utilities Act, (3) electric cooperatives as defined in Section 3.4 of the Electric Supplier Act, (4) telephone or telecommunications cooperatives as defined in Section 13-212 of the Public Utilities Act, (5) rural water or waste water systems with 10,000 connections or less, (6) a holder as defined in Section 21-201 of the Public Utilities Act, and (7) municipalities owning or operating public utilities as that term is defined in Section 11-117-2 of the Illinois Municipal Code.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, contracts

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Notwithstanding any other provisions of law, contracts entered into under paragraph (14) of this subsection (b) shall be published in the Illinois Procurement Bulletin within 14 calendar days after execution. The chief procurement officer shall prescribe the form and content of the notice. The applicable State agency shall provide to the chief procurement officer, on a monthly basis, in the form and content prescribed

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- This Code does not apply to the electric power procurement process provided for under Section 1-75 of the Illinois Power Agency Act and Section 16-111.5 of the Public Utilities Act.
- (d) Except for Section 20-160 and Article 50 of this Code, and as expressly required by Section 9.1 of the Illinois Lottery Law, the provisions of this Code do not apply to the procurement process provided for under Section 9.1 of the Illinois Lottery Law.
 - (e) This Code does not apply to the process used by the Capital Development Board to retain a person or entity to assist the Capital Development Board with its duties related to the determination of costs of a clean coal SNG brownfield

- facility, as defined by Section 1-10 of the Illinois Power Agency Act, as required in subsection (h-3) of Section 9-220 of the Public Utilities Act, including calculating the range of capital costs, the range of operating and maintenance costs, or the sequestration costs or monitoring the construction of clean coal SNG brownfield facility for the full duration of construction.
 - (f) This Code does not apply to the process used by the Illinois Power Agency to retain a mediator to mediate sourcing agreement disputes between gas utilities and the clean coal SNG brownfield facility, as defined in Section 1-10 of the Illinois Power Agency Act, as required under subsection (h-1) of Section 9-220 of the Public Utilities Act.
 - (g) This Code does not apply to the processes used by the Illinois Power Agency to retain a mediator to mediate contract disputes between gas utilities and the clean coal SNG facility and to retain an expert to assist in the review of contracts under subsection (h) of Section 9-220 of the Public Utilities Act. This Code does not apply to the process used by the Illinois Commerce Commission to retain an expert to assist in determining the actual incurred costs of the clean coal SNG facility and the reasonableness of those costs as required under subsection (h) of Section 9-220 of the Public Utilities Act.
 - (h) This Code does not apply to the process to procure or contracts entered into in accordance with Sections 11-5.2 and

- 11-5.3 of the Illinois Public Aid Code. 1
- 2 (i) Each chief procurement officer may access records
- necessary to review whether a contract, purchase, or other 3
- expenditure is or is not subject to the provisions of this 4
- 5 Code, unless such records would be subject to attorney-client
- 6 privilege.
- 7 (j) This Code does not apply to the process used by the
- 8 Capital Development Board to retain an artist or work or works
- 9 of art as required in Section 14 of the Capital Development
- 10 Board Act.
- 11 (k) This Code does not apply to the process to procure
- 12 contracts, or contracts entered into, by the State Board of
- 13 Elections or the State Electoral Board for hearing officers
- 14 appointed pursuant to the Election Code.
- 15 (1) This Code does not apply to the processes used by the
- 16 Illinois Student Assistance Commission to procure supplies and
- 17 services paid for from the private funds of the Illinois
- Prepaid Tuition Trust Fund. "Private funds" means funds derived 18
- 19 from deposits paid into the Illinois Prepaid Tuition Trust Fund
- 20 and the earnings thereon.
- (Source: P.A. 98-90, eff. 7-15-13; 98-463, eff. 8-16-13; 21
- 22 98-572, eff. 1-1-14; 98-756, eff. 7-16-14; 98-1076, eff.
- 23 1-1-15; 99-801, eff. 1-1-17.)
- 24 (30 ILCS 500/1-12)
- 25 (Section scheduled to be repealed on December 31, 2016)

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- 1 Sec. 1-12. Applicability to artistic or musical services.
 - (a) This Code shall not apply to procurement expenditures necessary to provide artistic or musical services, performances, or theatrical productions held at a venue operated or leased by a State agency.
 - (b) Notice of each contract entered into by a State agency that is related to the procurement of goods and services identified in this Section shall be published in the Illinois Procurement Bulletin within 14 calendar days after contract execution. The chief procurement officer shall prescribe the form and content of the notice. Each State agency shall provide the chief procurement officer, on a monthly basis, in the form and content prescribed by the chief procurement officer, a report of contracts that are related to the procurement of goods and services identified in this Section. At a minimum, this report shall include the name of the contractor, a description of the supply or service provided, the total amount of the contract, the term of the contract, and the exception to the Code utilized. A copy of any or all of these contracts shall be made available to the chief procurement officer immediately upon request. The chief procurement officer shall submit a report to the Governor and General Assembly no later than November 1 of each year that shall include, at a minimum, an annual summary of the monthly information reported to the chief procurement officer.
 - (c) (Blank). This Section is repealed December 31, 2016.

(Source: P.A. 97-895, eff. 8-3-12; 98-1076, eff. 1-1-15.)

- (30 ILCS 500/1-12.1 new)2
- 3 Sec. 1-12.1. Continuation of Section 1-12 of this Code;
- 4 validation.

- (a) The General Assembly finds and declares that: 5
- (1) This amendatory Act of the 100th General Assembly 6 7 manifests the intention of the General Assembly to remove
- the repeal of Section 1-12 of this Code. 8
- 9 (2) Section 1-12 of this Code was originally enacted to
- 10 protect, promote, and preserve the general welfare. Any
- 11 construction of Section 1-12 of this Code that results in
- 12 the repeal of that Section on December 31, 2016 would be
- 1.3 inconsistent with the manifest intent of the General
- Assembly and repugnant to the context of this Code. 14
- (b) It is hereby declared to have been the intent of the 15
- 16 General Assembly that Section 1-12 of this Code not be subject
- 17 to repeal on December 31, 2016.
- 18 (c) Section 1-12 of this Code shall be deemed to have been
- in continuous effect since August 3, 2012 (the effective date 19
- of Public Act 97-895), and it shall continue to be in effect 20
- 21 henceforward until it is otherwise lawfully repealed. All
- 22 previously enacted amendments to Section 1-12 of this Code
- 23 taking effect on or after December 31, 2016, are hereby
- 24 validated.
- 25 (d) All actions taken in reliance on or pursuant to Section

- 1-12 of this Code in the procurement of artistic or musical 1
- 2 services are hereby validated.
- 3 (e) In order to ensure the continuing effectiveness of
- 4 Section 1-12 of this Code, it is set forth in full and
- 5 re-enacted by this amendatory Act of the 100th General
- 6 Assembly. This re-enactment is intended as a continuation of
- 7 that Section. It is not intended to supersede any amendment to
- 8 that Section that is enacted by the 100th General Assembly.
- 9 (f) In this amendatory Act of the 100th General Assembly,
- 10 the base text of the reenacted Section is set forth as amended
- by Public Act 98-1076. Striking and underscoring is used only 11
- 12 to show changes being made to the base text.
- 13 (q) Section 1-12 of this Code applies to all procurements
- 14 made on or before the effective date of this amendatory Act of
- 15 the 100th General Assembly.
- 16 (30 ILCS 500/1-13)
- 17 (Section scheduled to be repealed on December 31, 2016)
- 18 Sec. 1-13. Applicability to public institutions of higher
- 19 education.
- 20 (a) This Code shall apply to public institutions of higher
- 21 education, regardless of the source of the funds with which
- 22 contracts are paid, except as provided in this Section.
- (b) Except as provided in this Section, this Code shall not 23
- apply to procurements made by or on behalf of public 24
- 25 institutions of higher education for any of the following:

- (1) Memberships in professional, academic, research, or athletic organizations on behalf of a public institution of higher education, an employee of a public institution of
- higher education, or a student at a public institution of higher education.
- (2) Procurement expenditures for events or activities paid for exclusively by revenues generated by the event or activity, gifts or donations for the event or activity, private grants, or any combination thereof.
- (3) Procurement expenditures for events or activities for which the use of specific potential contractors is mandated or identified by the sponsor of the event or activity, provided that the sponsor is providing a majority of the funding for the event or activity.
- (4) Procurement expenditures necessary to provide <u>athletic</u>, artistic or musical services, performances, <u>events</u>, or productions held at a venue operated by <u>or for</u> a public institution of higher education.
- (5) Procurement expenditures for periodicals and books, subscriptions, database licenses, and other publications procured for use by a university library or academic department, except for expenditures related to procuring textbooks for student use or materials for resale or rental.
- (6) Procurement expenditures for placement of students in externships, practicums, field experiences, and for

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medical residencies and rotations.

- (7) Contracts for programming and broadcast license rights for university-operated radio and television stations.
- (8) Procurement expenditures necessary to perform sponsored research and other sponsored activities under grants and contracts funded by the sponsor or by sources other than State appropriations.
- (9) Contracts with a foreign entity for research or educational activities, provided that the foreign entity either does not maintain an office in the United States or is the sole source of the service or product.
- (10) Procurement of food items for commercial resale on the campus of or at a facility controlled by an institution of higher education.

Notice of each contract entered into by a public institution of higher education that is related to the procurement of goods and services identified in items (1) through (10) $\frac{(7)}{(7)}$ of this subsection shall be published in the Procurement Bulletin within 14 calendar days after contract execution. The Chief Procurement Officer shall prescribe the form and content of the notice. Each public institution of higher education shall provide the Chief Procurement Officer, on a monthly basis, in the form and content prescribed by the Chief Procurement Officer, a report of contracts that are related to the procurement of goods and services identified in this

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subsection. At a minimum, this report shall include the name of the contractor, a description of the supply or service provided, the total amount of the contract, the term of the contract, and the exception to the Code utilized. A copy of any or all of these contracts shall be made available to the Chief Procurement Officer immediately upon request. The Chief Procurement Officer shall submit a report to the Governor and General Assembly no later than November 1 of each year that shall include, at a minimum, an annual summary of the monthly information reported to the Chief Procurement Officer.

(b-5) Except as provided in this subsection, the provisions of this Code shall not apply to contracts for medical FDA-regulated supplies, and to contracts for medical services necessary for the delivery of care and treatment at medical, dental, or veterinary teaching facilities utilized by Southern Illinois University or the University of Illinois and at any university-operated health care center or dispensary that provides care, treatment, and medications for students, faculty and staff. Other supplies and services needed for these teaching facilities shall be subject to the jurisdiction of the Chief Procurement Officer for Public Institutions of Higher Education who may establish expedited procurement procedures and may waive or modify certification, contract, hearing, process and registration requirements required by the Code. All procurements made under this subsection shall be documented and may require publication in the Illinois Procurement Bulletin.

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- (c) Procurements made by or on behalf of public institutions of higher education for any of the following shall be made in accordance with the requirements of this Code to the extent practical as provided in this subsection:
 - (1) Contracts with a foreign entity necessary for research or educational activities, provided that the foreign entity either does not maintain an office in the United States or is the sole source of the service or product.
- 10 (2) (Blank).
- 11 (3) (Blank).
- 12 (4) Procurements required for fulfillment of a grant.

Upon the written request of a public institution of higher education, the Chief Procurement Officer mav registration, certification, and hearing requirements of this Code if, based on the item to be procured or the terms of a grant, compliance is impractical. The public institution of higher education shall provide the Chief Procurement Officer with specific reasons for the waiver, including the necessity of contracting with a particular potential contractor, and shall certify that an effort was made in good faith to comply with the provisions of this Code. The Chief Procurement Officer shall provide written justification for any waivers. By November 1 of each year, the Chief Procurement Officer shall file a report with the General Assembly identifying each contract approved with waivers and providing the justification

- given for any waivers for each of those contracts. Notice of each waiver made under this subsection shall be published in the Procurement Bulletin within 14 calendar days after contract
- 4 execution. The Chief Procurement Officer shall prescribe the
- 5 form and content of the notice.
 - (d) Notwithstanding this Section, a waiver of the registration requirements of Section 20-160 does not permit a business entity and any affiliated entities or affiliated persons to make campaign contributions if otherwise prohibited by Section 50-37. The total amount of contracts awarded in accordance with this Section shall be included in determining the aggregate amount of contracts or pending bids of a business entity and any affiliated entities or affiliated persons.
 - (e) Notwithstanding subsection (e) of Section 50-10.5 of this Code, the Chief Procurement Officer, with the approval of the Executive Ethics Commission, may permit a public institution of higher education to accept a bid or enter into a contract with a business that assisted the public institution of higher education in determining whether there is a need for a contract or assisted in reviewing, drafting, or preparing documents related to a bid or contract, provided that the bid or contract is essential to research administered by the public institution of higher education and it is in the best interest of the public institution of higher education to accept the bid or contract. For purposes of this subsection, "business" includes all individuals with whom a business is affiliated,

- 1 including, but not limited to, any officer, agent, employee,
- 2 consultant, independent contractor, director, partner,
- 3 manager, or shareholder of a business. The Executive Ethics
- 4 Commission may promulgate rules and regulations for the
- 5 implementation and administration of the provisions of this
- 6 subsection (e).
- 7 (f) As used in this Section:
- 8 "Grant" means non-appropriated funding provided by a
- 9 federal or private entity to support a project or program
- 10 administered by a public institution of higher education and
- any non-appropriated funding provided to a sub-recipient of the
- 12 grant.
- "Public institution of higher education" means Chicago
- 14 State University, Eastern Illinois University, Governors State
- University, Illinois State University, Northeastern Illinois
- 16 University, Northern Illinois University, Southern Illinois
- 17 University, University of Illinois, Western Illinois
- 18 University, and, for purposes of this Code only, the Illinois
- 19 Mathematics and Science Academy.
- 20 (g) (Blank). This Section is repealed on December 31, 2016.
- 21 (Source: P.A. 97-643, eff. 12-20-11; 97-895, eff. 8-3-12;
- 22 98-1076, eff. 1-1-15.)
- 23 (30 ILCS 500/1-13.1 new)
- Sec. 1-13.1. Continuation of Section 1-13 of this Code;
- 25 validation.

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| 1 | (a) The General Assembly finds and declares that: |
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| 2 | (1) Public Act 98-1076, which took effect on January 1, |
| 3 | 2015, changed the repeal date set for Section 1-13 of this |
| 4 | Code from December 31, 2014 to December 31, 2016. |
| 5 | (2) The Statute on Statutes sets forth general rules or |
| 6 | the repeal of statutes and the construction of multiple |
| 7 | amendments, but Section 1 of that Act also states that |
| 8 | these rules will not be observed when the result would be |
| 9 | "inconsistent with the manifest intent of the General |
| 10 | Assembly or repugnant to the context of the statute". |
| 11 | (3) This amendatory Act of the 100th General Assembly |
| 12 | manifests the intention of the General Assembly to remove |
| 13 | the repeal of Section 1-13 of this Code. |
| 14 | (4) Section 1-13 of this Code was originally enacted to |
| 15 | protect, promote, and preserve the general welfare. Any |
| 16 | construction of Section 1-13 of this Code that results in |
| 17 | the repeal of that Section on December 31, 2014 would be |
| 18 | inconsistent with the manifest intent of the General |
| 19 | Assembly and repugnant to the context of this Code. |
| 20 | (b) It is hereby declared to have been the intent of the |
| 21 | General Assembly that Section 1-13 of this Code not be subject |
| 22 | to repeal on December 31, 2014. |
| 23 | (c) Section 1-13 of this Code shall be deemed to have been |
| 24 | in continuous effect since December 20, 2011 (the effective |

date of Public Act 97-643), and it shall continue to be in

effect henceforward until it is otherwise lawfully repealed.

- All previously enacted amendments to Section 1-13 of this Code 1
- 2 taking effect on or after December 31, 2014, are hereby
- 3 validated.
- (d) All actions taken in reliance on or pursuant to Section 4
- 5 1-13 of this Code by any public institution of higher
- education, person, or entity are hereby validated. 6
- 7 (e) In order to ensure the continuing effectiveness of
- Section 1-13 of this Code, it is set forth in full and 8
- 9 re-enacted by this amendatory Act of the 100th General
- 10 Assembly. This re-enactment is intended as a continuation of
- 11 that Section. It is not intended to supersede any amendment to
- 12 that Section that is enacted by the 100th General Assembly.
- 13 (f) In this amendatory Act of the 100th General Assembly,
- 14 the base text of the reenacted Section is set forth as amended
- by Public Act 98-1076. Striking and underscoring is used only 15
- 16 to show changes being made to the base text. In this instance,
- no underscoring or striking is shown in the base text because 17
- no additional changes are being made. 18
- 19 (g) Section 1-13 of this Code applies to all procurements
- 20 made on or before the effective date of this amendatory Act of
- 21 the 100th General Assembly.
- 22 (30 ILCS 500/1-15.20)
- 23 Sec. 1-15.20. Construction, and construction-related, and
- 24 construction support services. "Construction" means building,
- 25 altering, repairing, improving, or demolishing any public

- structure or building, or making improvements of any kind to 1
- 2 public real property. Construction does not include the routine
- operation, routine repair, or routine maintenance of existing 3
- 4 structures, buildings, or real property.
- "Construction-related services" means those 5 services
- including construction design, layout, inspection, support, 6
- 7 feasibility or location study, research, development,
- 8 planning, or other investigative study undertaken by a
- 9 construction agency concerning construction or potential
- 10 construction.
- 11 "Construction support" means all equipment, supplies, and
- 12 services that are necessary to the operation of a construction
- 13 agency's construction program. "Construction support" does not
- 14 include construction-related services.
- (Source: P.A. 90-572, eff. 2-6-98.) 15
- 16 (30 ILCS 500/1-15.47 new)
- Sec. 1-15.47. Master contract. "Master contract" means a 17
- 18 definite quantity, indefinite quantity, or requirements
- contract awarded in accordance with this Code, against which 19
- 20 subsequent orders may be placed to meet the needs of a State
- 21 purchasing entity. A master contract may be for use by a single
- 22 State purchasing entity or for multiple State purchasing
- 23 entities and other entities as authorized under the
- 24 Governmental Joint Purchasing Act.

1 (30 ILCS 500/1-15.48 new)

- Sec. 1-15.48. Multiple award. "Multiple award" means an
- 3 award that is made to 2 or more bidders or offerors for similar
- 4 supplies, services, or construction-related services.
- 5 (30 ILCS 500/5-5)

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- 6 Sec. 5-5. Procurement Policy Board.
- 7 (a) Creation. There is created a Procurement Policy Board,
- 8 an agency of the State of Illinois.
 - (b) Authority and duties. The Board shall have the authority and responsibility to review, comment upon, and recommend, consistent with this Code, rules and practices governing the procurement, management, control, and disposal of supplies, services, professional or artistic services, construction, and real property and capital improvement leases procured by the State. The Board shall also have the authority to recommend a program for professional development and provide opportunities for training in procurement practices and policies to chief procurement officers and their staffs in order to ensure that all procurement is conducted in an efficient, professional, and appropriately transparent manner.

Upon a three-fifths vote of its members, the Board may review a contract. Upon a three-fifths vote of its members, the Board may propose procurement rules for consideration by chief procurement officers. These proposals shall be published in each volume of the Procurement Bulletin. Except as otherwise

- 1 provided by law, the Board shall act upon the vote of a
- 2 majority of its members who have been appointed and are
- 3 serving.
- 4 (b-5) Reviews, studies, and hearings. The Board may review,
- 5 study, and hold public hearings concerning the implementation
- 6 and administration of this Code. Each chief procurement
- 7 officer, State purchasing officer, procurement compliance
- 8 monitor, and State agency shall cooperate with the Board,
- 9 provide information to the Board, and be responsive to the
- 10 Board in the Board's conduct of its reviews, studies, and
- 11 hearings.
- 12 (c) Members. The Board shall consist of 5 members appointed
- one each by the 4 legislative leaders and the Governor. Each
- 14 member shall have demonstrated sufficient business or
- professional experience in the area of procurement to perform
- the functions of the Board. No member may be a member of the
- 17 General Assembly.
- 18 (d) Terms. Of the initial appointees, the Governor shall
- 19 designate one member, as Chairman, to serve a one-year term,
- the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House shall
- 21 each appoint one member to serve 3-year terms, and the Minority
- 22 Leader of the House and the Minority Leader of the Senate shall
- each appoint one member to serve 2-year terms. Subsequent terms
- shall be 4 years. Members may be reappointed for succeeding
- 25 terms.
- 26 (e) Reimbursement. Members shall receive no compensation

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- but shall be reimbursed for any expenses reasonably incurred in
 the performance of their duties.
 - (f) Staff support. Upon a three-fifths vote of its members, the Board may employ an executive director. Subject to appropriation, the Board also may employ a reasonable and necessary number of staff persons.
 - (g) Meetings. Meetings of the Board may be conducted telephonically, electronically, or through the use of other telecommunications. Written minutes of such meetings shall be created and available for public inspection and copying.
 - (h) Procurement recommendations. Upon a three-fifths vote of its members, the Board may review a proposal, bid, or contract and issue a recommendation to void a contract or reject a proposal or bid based on any violation of this Code or the existence of a conflict of interest as described in subsections (b) and (d) of Section 50-35. A chief procurement officer or State purchasing officer shall notify the Board if an alleged conflict of interest or violation of the Code is identified, discovered, or reasonably suspected to exist. Any person or entity may notify the Board of an alleged conflict of interest or violation of the Code. A recommendation of the Board shall be delivered to the appropriate chief procurement officer and Executive Ethics Commission within 7 calendar days and must be published in the next volume of the Procurement Bulletin. In the event that an alleged conflict of interest or violation of the Code that was not originally disclosed with

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- the bid, offer, or proposal is identified and filed with the Board, the Board shall provide written notice of the alleged conflict of interest or violation to the bidder, offeror, potential contractor, contractor, or subcontractor on that contract. If the alleged conflict of interest or violation is by the subcontractor, written notice shall also be provided to the bidder, offeror, potential contractor, or contractor. The bidder, offeror, potential contractor, contractor, subcontractor shall have 15 calendar days to provide a written response to the notice, and a hearing before the Board on the alleged conflict of interest or violation shall be held upon request by the bidder, offeror, potential contractor, contractor, or subcontractor. The requested hearing date and time shall be determined by the Board, but in no event shall the hearing occur later than 15 calendar days after the date of the request.
- (i) After providing notice and a hearing as required by subsection (h), the Board shall refer any alleged violations of this Code to the Executive Inspector General in addition to or instead of issuing a recommendation to void a contract.
- 21 (j) Each State agency must respond promptly in writing to 22 all inquiries and comments of the Procurement Policy Board.
- 23 (Source: P.A. 97-895, eff. 8-3-12; 98-1076, eff. 1-1-15.)
- 24 (30 ILCS 500/5-30)
- 25 Sec. 5-30. Proposed contracts; Procurement Policy Board.

2 calendar days after notice of the awarding or letting of a

(a) Except as provided in subsection (c), within 14 $\frac{30}{100}$

- 3 contract has appeared in the Procurement Bulletin in accordance
- 4 with subsection (b) of Section 15-25, the Board may request in
- 5 writing from the contracting agency and the contracting agency
- 6 shall promptly, but in no event later than 7 calendar days
- 7 after receipt of the request, provide to the Board, by
- 8 electronic or other means satisfactory to the Board,
- 9 documentation in the possession of the contracting agency
- 10 concerning the proposed contract. Nothing in this subsection is
- 11 intended to waive or abrogate any privilege or right of
- 12 confidentiality authorized by law.
- 13 (b) No contract subject to this Section may be entered into
- 14 until the 14-day 30-day period described in subsection (a) has
- 15 expired, unless the contracting agency requests in writing that
- the Board waive the period and the Board grants the waiver in
- 17 writing.
- 18 (c) This Section does not apply to (i) contracts entered
- into under this Code for small and emergency procurements as
- those procurements are defined in Article 20 and (ii) contracts
- 21 for professional and artistic services that are nonrenewable,
- one year or less in duration, and have a value of less than
- \$20,000. If requested in writing by the Board, however, the
- contracting agency must promptly, but in no event later than 10
- 25 calendar days after receipt of the request, transmit to the
- 26 Board a copy of the contract for an emergency procurement and

- documentation in the possession of the contracting agency 1
- 2 concerning the contract.
- (Source: P.A. 98-1076, eff. 1-1-15.) 3
- 4 (30 ILCS 500/10-10)

- 5 Sec. 10-10. Independent State purchasing officers.
- 6 (a) The chief procurement officer shall appoint a State 7 purchasing officer for each agency that the chief procurement 8 officer is responsible for under Section 1-15.15. A State 9 purchasing officer shall be located in the State agency that 10 the officer serves but shall report to his or her respective 11 chief procurement officer. The State purchasing officer shall 12 have direct communication with agency staff assigned to assist 1.3 with any procurement process. At the direction of his or her 14 respective chief procurement officer, a State purchasing 15 officer shall have the authority to (i) review each contract or 16 contract amendment prior to execution to ensure that applicable procurement and contracting standards were followed, and (ii) 17 18 approve or reject contracts for a purchasing agency. If the State purchasing officer provides written approval of the 19 20 contract, the head of the applicable State agency shall have 21 the authority to sign and enter into that contract. All actions 22 of a State purchasing officer are subject to review by a chief procurement officer in accordance with procedures and policies 23 24 established by the chief procurement officer.
 - (a-5) A State purchasing officer owes a fiduciary duty to

the State.

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(a-10) A State purchasing officer may: (i) attend any procurement meetings; (ii) access any records or files related to procurement; (iii) issue reports to the chief procurement officer on procurement issues that present issues; (iv) ensure the State agency is maintaining appropriate records; and (v) ensure transparency of the procurement process.

(a-15) If a State purchasing officer is aware of misconduct, waste, or inefficiency with respect to State procurement, the State purchasing officer shall advise the State agency of the issue in writing. If the State agency does not correct the issue, the State purchasing officer shall report the problem, in writing, to the chief procurement officer and Inspector General.

(b) In addition to any other requirement or qualification required by State law, within 30 months after appointment, a State purchasing officer must be a Certified Professional Public Buyer or a Certified Public Purchasing Officer, pursuant Universal certification by the Public Purchasing Certification Council. A State purchasing officer shall serve a term of 5 years beginning on the date of the officer's appointment. A State purchasing officer shall have an office located in the State agency that the officer serves but shall report to the chief procurement officer. A State purchasing officer may be removed by a chief procurement officer for cause after a hearing by the Executive Ethics Commission. The chief

procurement officer or executive officer of the State agency 1 2 housing the State purchasing officer may institute a complaint 3 against the State purchasing officer by filing such a complaint with the Commission and the Commission shall have a public 5 hearing based on the complaint. The State purchasing officer, chief procurement officer, and executive officer of the State 6 7 agency shall receive notice of the hearing and shall be 8 permitted to present their respective arguments on 9 complaint. After the hearing, the Commission shall make a 10 non-binding recommendation on whether the State purchasing 11 officer shall be removed. The salary of a State purchasing 12 officer shall be established by the chief procurement officer 13 and may not be diminished during the officer's term. In the 14 absence of an appointed State purchasing officer, 15 applicable chief procurement officer shall exercise the 16 procurement authority created by this Code and may appoint a 17 temporary acting State purchasing officer.

- (Source: P.A. 96-795, eff. 7-1-10 (see Section 5 of P.A. 96-793 18
- 19 for the effective date of changes made by P.A. 96-795); 97-895,
- 20 eff. 8-3-12.)
- 21 (30 ILCS 500/10-15)
- 22 Sec. 10-15. Procurement compliance monitors.
- 23 The Executive Ethics Commission may shall appoint 24 procurement compliance monitors to oversee and review the 25 procurement processes. Each procurement compliance monitor

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shall serve a term of 5 years beginning on the date of the officer's appointment. Each procurement compliance monitor appointed pursuant to this Section and serving a 5-year term on the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 100th General Assembly, shall have an office located in the State agency that the monitor serves but shall report to and serve at the <u>direction of a the appropriate</u> chief procurement officer <u>in the</u> performance of procurement-related duties until the expiration of the monitor's term. The compliance monitor shall have direct communications with the executive officer of a State agency in exercising duties. A procurement compliance monitor may be removed only for cause after a hearing by the Executive Ethics Commission. The appropriate chief procurement officer or executive officer of the State agency housing the procurement compliance monitor may institute a complaint against the procurement compliance monitor with the Commission and the Commission shall hold a public hearing based on the complaint. The procurement compliance monitor, State purchasing officer, appropriate chief procurement officer, and executive officer of the State agency shall receive notice of the hearing and shall be permitted to present their respective arguments on the complaint. After the hearing, the Commission shall determine whether the procurement compliance monitor shall be removed. The salary of a procurement compliance monitor shall be established by the Executive Ethics Commission and may not be diminished during the officer's term.

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- (b) The procurement compliance monitor shall: (i) review any procurement, contract, or contract amendment as directed by the Executive Ethics Commission or a chief procurement officer; and (ii) report any findings of the review, in writing, to the Commission, the affected agency, the chief procurement officer responsible for the affected agency, and any entity requesting the review. The procurement compliance monitor may: (i) review each contract or contract amendment prior to execution to ensure that applicable procurement and contracting standards were followed; (ii) attend any procurement meetings; (iii) access any records or files related to procurement; (iv) issue reports to the chief procurement officer on procurement issues that present issues or that have not been corrected after consultation with appropriate State officials; (v) ensure the State agency is maintaining appropriate records; and (vi) ensure transparency of the procurement process.
- (c) If the procurement compliance monitor is aware of misconduct, waste, or inefficiency with respect to State procurement, the procurement compliance monitor shall advise the State agency of the issue in writing. If the State agency does not correct the issue, the monitor shall report the problem, in writing, to the chief procurement officer and Inspector General.
- 24 (Source: P.A. 96-795, eff. 7-1-10 (see Section 5 of P.A. 96-793
- for the effective date of changes made by P.A. 96-795); 97-895,
- 26 eff. 8-3-12.)

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Sec. 15-25. Bulletin content. 2

> (a) Invitations for bids. Notice of each and every contract that is offered, including renegotiated contracts and change orders, shall be published in the applicable volume of the <u>Illinois Procurement</u> Bulletin. All businesses listed on the Department of Transportation Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Directory, the Department of Central Management Services Business Enterprise Program, and the Chief Procurement Office's Small Business Vendors Directory shall be furnished written instructions and information on how to register on each Procurement Bulletin maintained by the State. Such information shall be provided to each business within 30 calendar days after the business' notice of certification. The applicable chief procurement officer or applicable designated procurement officer may provide by rule an organized format for the publication of this information, but in any case it must include at least the date first offered, the date submission of offers is due, the location that offers are to be submitted to, the purchasing State agency, the e-mail address and telephone number of the responsible State procurement contact purchasing officer, a brief purchase description, the method of source selection, information of how to obtain a comprehensive purchase description and any disclosure and contract forms, and may include encouragement to potential contractors to hire

- 1 qualified veterans, as defined by Section 45-67 of this Code,
- 2 and qualified Illinois minorities, women, persons with
- 3 disabilities, and residents discharged from any Illinois adult
- 4 correctional center.
- 5 <u>(a-5)</u> All businesses listed on the Illinois Unified
- 6 Certification Program Disadvantaged Business Enterprise
- 7 <u>Directory</u>, the Business Enterprise Program of the Department of
- 8 Central Management Services, and the Small Business Vendors
- 9 Directory of the Department of Central Management Services
- 10 shall be furnished written instructions and information on how
- 11 to register for each volume of the Illinois Procurement
- Bulletin. Such information shall be provided to each business
- 13 within 30 calendar days after the business's notice of
- 14 certification.
- 15 (b) Contracts let. Notice of each and every contract that
- is let, including renegotiated contracts and change orders,
- shall be issued electronically to those bidders submitting
- 18 responses to the solicitations, inclusive of the unsuccessful
- 19 bidders, immediately upon contract let. Failure of any chief
- 20 procurement officer to give such notice shall result in tolling
- 21 the time for filing a bid protest up to 7 calendar days.
- 22 For purposes of this subsection (b), "contracts let" means
- 23 a construction agency's act of advertising an invitation for
- bids for one or more construction projects.
- 25 (b-5) Contracts awarded. Notice of each and every contract
- that is awarded, including renegotiated contracts and change

orders, shall be issued electronically to the successful responsible bidder, offeror, or contractor and published in the

next available subsequent Bulletin. The applicable chief

procurement officer may provide by rule an organized format for

the publication of this information, but in any case it must

include at least all of the information specified in subsection

(a) as well as the name of the successful responsible bidder,

offeror, the contract price, the number of unsuccessful bidders

or offerors and any other disclosure specified in any Section

of this Code. This notice must be posted in the online

11 electronic Bulletin prior to execution of the contract.

For purposes of this subsection (b-5), "contract award" means the determination that a particular bidder or offeror has been selected from among other bidders or offerors to receive a contract, subject to the successful completion of final negotiations. "Contract award" is evidenced by the posting of a Notice of Award or a Notice of Intent to Award to the respective volume of the Illinois Procurement Bulletin.

(c) Emergency purchase disclosure. Any chief procurement officer or State purchasing officer exercising emergency purchase authority under this Code shall publish a written description and reasons and the total cost, if known, or an estimate if unknown and the name of the responsible chief procurement officer and State purchasing officer, and the business or person contracted with for all emergency purchases in the next timely, practicable Bulletin. This notice must be

- posted in the online electronic Bulletin no later than 5 calendar days after the contract is awarded. Notice of a hearing to extend an emergency contract must be posted in the online electronic Procurement Bulletin no later than 14 calendar days prior to the hearing.
 - (c-5) Business Enterprise Program report. Each purchasing agency shall, with the assistance of the applicable chief procurement officer, post in the online electronic Bulletin a copy of its annual report of utilization of businesses owned by minorities, females, and persons with disabilities as submitted to the Business Enterprise Council for Minorities, Females, and Persons with Disabilities pursuant to Section 6(c) of the Business Enterprise for Minorities, Females, and Persons with Disabilities Act within 10 calendar days after its submission of its report to the Council.
 - (c-10) Renewals. Notice of each contract renewal shall be posted in the online electronic Bulletin within 14 calendar days of the determination to renew the contract and the next available subsequent Bulletin. The notice shall include at least all of the information required in subsection (b).
 - (c-15) Sole source procurements. Before entering into a sole source contract, a chief procurement officer exercising sole source procurement authority under this Code shall publish a written description of intent to enter into a sole source contract along with a description of the item to be procured and the intended sole source contractor. This notice must be

- 1 posted in the online electronic Procurement Bulletin before a
- 2 sole source contract is awarded and at least 14 calendar days
- 3 before the hearing required by Section 20-25.
- 4 (d) Other required disclosure. The applicable chief
- 5 procurement officer shall provide by rule for the organized
- 6 publication of all other disclosure required in other Sections
- 7 of this Code in a timely manner.
- 8 (e) The changes to subsections (b), (c), (c-5), (c-10), and
- 9 (c-15) of this Section made by this amendatory Act of the 96th
- 10 General Assembly apply to reports submitted, offers made, and
- 11 notices on contracts executed on or after its effective date.
- 12 (f) Each chief procurement officer shall, in consultation
- 13 with the agencies under his or her jurisdiction, provide the
- 14 Procurement Policy Board with the information and resources
- 15 necessary, and in a manner, to effectuate the purpose of this
- amendatory Act of the 96th General Assembly.
- 17 (Source: P.A. 97-895, eff. 8-3-12; 98-1038, eff. 8-25-14;
- 18 98-1076, eff. 1-1-15.)
- 19 (30 ILCS 500/20-10)
- 20 (Text of Section before amendment by P.A. 99-906)
- 21 (Text of Section from P.A. 96-159, 96-588, 97-96, 97-895,
- 22 and 98-1076)
- 23 Sec. 20-10. Competitive sealed bidding; reverse auction.
- 24 (a) Conditions for use. All contracts shall be awarded by
- 25 competitive sealed bidding except as otherwise provided in

1 Section 20-5.

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for the opening of bids.

- 2 (b) Invitation for bids. An invitation for bids shall be 3 issued and shall include a purchase description and the 4 material contractual terms and conditions applicable to the
- 6 (c) Public notice. Public notice of the invitation for bids
 7 shall be published in the Illinois Procurement Bulletin at
 8 least 14 calendar days before the date set in the invitation
 - (d) Bid opening. Bids shall be opened publicly in the presence of one or more witnesses at the time and place designated in the invitation for bids. The name of each bidder, the amount of each bid, and other relevant information as may be specified by rule shall be recorded. After the award of the contract, the winning bid and the record of each unsuccessful bid shall be open to public inspection.
 - (e) Bid acceptance and bid evaluation. Bids shall be unconditionally accepted without alteration or correction, except as authorized in this Code. Bids shall be evaluated based on the requirements set forth in the invitation for bids, which may include criteria to determine acceptability such as inspection, testing, quality, workmanship, delivery, and suitability for a particular purpose. Those criteria that will affect the bid price and be considered in evaluation for award, such as discounts, transportation costs, and total or life cycle costs, shall be objectively measurable. The invitation

1 for bids shall set forth the evaluation criteria to be used.

- (f) Correction or withdrawal of bids. Correction or withdrawal of inadvertently erroneous bids before or after award, or cancellation of awards of contracts based on bid mistakes, shall be permitted in accordance with rules. After bid opening, no changes in bid prices or other provisions of bids prejudicial to the interest of the State or fair competition shall be permitted. All decisions to permit the correction or withdrawal of bids based on bid mistakes shall be supported by written determination made by a State purchasing officer.
- (g) Award. The contract shall be awarded with reasonable promptness by written notice to the lowest responsible and responsive bidder whose bid meets the requirements and criteria set forth in the invitation for bids, except when a State purchasing officer determines it is not in the best interest of the State and by written explanation determines another bidder shall receive the award. The explanation shall appear in the appropriate volume of the Illinois Procurement Bulletin. The written explanation must include:
 - (1) a description of the agency's needs;
- 22 (2) a determination that the anticipated cost will be fair and reasonable:
- 24 (3) a listing of all responsible and responsive 25 bidders; and
 - (4) the name of the bidder selected, the total contract

1 price, and the reasons for selecting that bidder.

When a multiple award is contemplated, the solicitation shall identify the award criteria and a detailed method of selecting from among the multiple awardees.

Each chief procurement officer may adopt guidelines to implement the requirements of this subsection (g).

The written explanation shall be filed with the Legislative Audit Commission and the Procurement Policy Board, and be made available for inspection by the public, within 30 calendar days after the agency's decision to award the contract.

- (h) Multi-step sealed bidding. When it is considered impracticable to initially prepare a purchase description to support an award based on price, an invitation for bids may be issued requesting the submission of unpriced offers to be followed by written requests for sealed quotes with pricing to meet the need and an invitation for bids limited to the pool of those bidders whose offers have been qualified under the criteria set forth in the first solicitation. An award shall be made to the responsible vendor with the lowest priced quote meeting the needs of the State agency as needs are determined by the State agency. The chief procurement officer may re-open the pool following the procedures in this subsection (h) periodically as needed to ensure reasonable competition.
- (i) Alternative procedures. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act to the contrary, the Director of the Illinois Power Agency may create alternative bidding

- procedures to be used in procuring professional services under 1
- 2 subsection (a) of Section 1-75 and subsection (d) of Section
- 3 1-78 of the Illinois Power Agency Act and Section 16-111.5(c)
- of the Public Utilities Act and to procure renewable energy
- 5 resources under Section 1-56 of the Illinois Power Agency Act.
- These alternative procedures shall be set forth together with 6
- 7 the other criteria contained in the invitation for bids, and
- 8 shall appear in the appropriate volume of the Illinois
- 9 Procurement Bulletin.
- 10 (j) Reverse auction. Notwithstanding any other provision
- 11 of this Section and in accordance with rules adopted by the
- 12 chief procurement officer, that chief procurement officer may
- procure supplies or services through a competitive electronic 13
- auction bidding process after the chief procurement officer 14
- 15 determines that the use of such a process will be in the best
- 16 interest of the State. The chief procurement officer shall
- 17 publish that determination in his or her next volume of the
- Illinois Procurement Bulletin. 18
- An invitation for bids shall be issued and shall include 19
- 20 (i) a procurement description, (ii) all contractual terms,
- whenever practical, and (iii) conditions applicable to the 21
- 22 procurement, including a notice that bids will be received in
- 23 an electronic auction manner.
- Public notice of the invitation for bids shall be given in 24
- 25 the same manner as provided in subsection (c).
- 26 Bids shall be accepted electronically at the time and in

- 1 the manner designated in the invitation for bids. During the
- auction, a bidder's price shall be disclosed to other bidders.
- 3 Bidders shall have the opportunity to reduce their bid prices
- 4 during the auction. At the conclusion of the auction, the
- 5 record of the bid prices received and the name of each bidder
- 6 shall be open to public inspection.
- 7 After the auction period has terminated, withdrawal of bids
- 8 shall be permitted as provided in subsection (f).
- 9 The contract shall be awarded within 60 calendar days after
- the auction by written notice to the lowest responsible bidder,
- or all bids shall be rejected except as otherwise provided in
- this Code. Extensions of the date for the award may be made by
- 13 mutual written consent of the State purchasing officer and the
- 14 lowest responsible bidder.
- This subsection does not apply to (i) procurements of
- 16 professional and artistic services, (ii) telecommunications
- 17 services, communication services, and information services,
- 18 and (iii) contracts for construction projects, including
- design professional services.
- 20 (Source: P.A. 97-96, eff. 7-13-11; 97-895, eff. 8-3-12;
- 21 98-1076, eff. 1-1-15.)
- 22 (Text of Section from P.A. 96-159, 96-795, 97-96, 97-895,
- 23 and 98-1076)
- Sec. 20-10. Competitive sealed bidding; reverse auction.
- 25 (a) Conditions for use. All contracts shall be awarded by

- 1 competitive sealed bidding except as otherwise provided in 2 Section 20-5.
- 3 (b) Invitation for bids. An invitation for bids shall be
 4 issued and shall include a purchase description and the
 5 material contractual terms and conditions applicable to the
 6 procurement.
 - (c) Public notice. Public notice of the invitation for bids shall be published in the Illinois Procurement Bulletin at least 14 calendar days before the date set in the invitation for the opening of bids.
 - (d) Bid opening. Bids shall be opened publicly in the presence of one or more witnesses at the time and place designated in the invitation for bids. The name of each bidder, the amount of each bid, and other relevant information as may be specified by rule shall be recorded. After the award of the contract, the winning bid and the record of each unsuccessful bid shall be open to public inspection.
 - (e) Bid acceptance and bid evaluation. Bids shall be unconditionally accepted without alteration or correction, except as authorized in this Code. Bids shall be evaluated based on the requirements set forth in the invitation for bids, which may include criteria to determine acceptability such as inspection, testing, quality, workmanship, delivery, and suitability for a particular purpose. Those criteria that will affect the bid price and be considered in evaluation for award, such as discounts, transportation costs, and total or life

- cycle costs, shall be objectively measurable. The invitation for bids shall set forth the evaluation criteria to be used.
 - (f) Correction or withdrawal of bids. Correction or withdrawal of inadvertently erroneous bids before or after award, or cancellation of awards of contracts based on bid mistakes, shall be permitted in accordance with rules. After bid opening, no changes in bid prices or other provisions of bids prejudicial to the interest of the State or fair competition shall be permitted. All decisions to permit the correction or withdrawal of bids based on bid mistakes shall be supported by written determination made by a State purchasing officer.
 - (g) Award. The contract shall be awarded with reasonable promptness by written notice to the lowest responsible and responsive bidder whose bid meets the requirements and criteria set forth in the invitation for bids, except when a State purchasing officer determines it is not in the best interest of the State and by written explanation determines another bidder shall receive the award. The explanation shall appear in the appropriate volume of the Illinois Procurement Bulletin. The written explanation must include:
 - (1) a description of the agency's needs;
- 23 (2) a determination that the anticipated cost will be fair and reasonable;
- 25 (3) a listing of all responsible and responsive 26 bidders; and

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When a multiple award is contemplated, the solicitation shall identify the award criteria and a detailed method of selecting from among the multiple awardees.

Each chief procurement officer may adopt quidelines to implement the requirements of this subsection (g).

The written explanation shall be filed with the Legislative Audit Commission and the Procurement Policy Board, and be made available for inspection by the public, within 30 days after the agency's decision to award the contract.

- (h) Multi-step sealed bidding. When it is considered impracticable to initially prepare a purchase description to support an award based on price, an invitation for bids may be issued requesting the submission of unpriced offers to be followed by written requests for sealed quotes with pricing to meet the need and an invitation for bids limited to the pool of those bidders whose offers have been qualified under the criteria set forth in the first solicitation. An award shall be made to the responsible vendor with the lowest priced quote meeting the needs of the State agency as needs are determined by the State agency. The chief procurement officer may re-open the pool following the procedures in this subsection (h) periodically as needed to ensure reasonable competition.
- (i) Alternative procedures. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act to the contrary, the Director of the

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2 procedures to be used in procuring professional services under

subsection (a) of Section 1-75 and subsection (d) of Section

1-78 of the Illinois Power Agency Act and Section 16-111.5(c)

of the Public Utilities Act and to procure renewable energy

resources under Section 1-56 of the Illinois Power Agency Act.

These alternative procedures shall be set forth together with

the other criteria contained in the invitation for bids, and

shall appear in the appropriate volume of the Illinois

10 Procurement Bulletin.

(j) Reverse auction. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section and in accordance with rules adopted by the chief procurement officer, that chief procurement officer may procure supplies or services through a competitive electronic auction bidding process after the chief procurement officer determines that the use of such a process will be in the best interest of the State. The chief procurement officer shall publish that determination in his or her next volume of the Illinois Procurement Bulletin.

An invitation for bids shall be issued and shall include (i) a procurement description, (ii) all contractual terms, whenever practical, and (iii) conditions applicable to the procurement, including a notice that bids will be received in an electronic auction manner.

Public notice of the invitation for bids shall be given in the same manner as provided in subsection (c).

- Bids shall be accepted electronically at the time and in 1
- 2 the manner designated in the invitation for bids. During the
- 3 auction, a bidder's price shall be disclosed to other bidders.
- Bidders shall have the opportunity to reduce their bid prices 4
- 5 during the auction. At the conclusion of the auction, the
- 6 record of the bid prices received and the name of each bidder
- 7 shall be open to public inspection.
- 8 After the auction period has terminated, withdrawal of bids
- 9 shall be permitted as provided in subsection (f).
- 10 The contract shall be awarded within 60 calendar days after
- 11 the auction by written notice to the lowest responsible bidder,
- 12 or all bids shall be rejected except as otherwise provided in
- 13 this Code. Extensions of the date for the award may be made by
- 14 mutual written consent of the State purchasing officer and the
- 15 lowest responsible bidder.
- 16 This subsection does not apply to (i) procurements of
- 17 professional and artistic services, (ii) telecommunications
- services, communication services, and information services, 18
- 19 and (iii) contracts for construction projects, including
- 20 design professional services.
- (Source: P.A. 97-96, eff. 7-13-11; 97-895, eff. 8-3-12; 21
- 22 98-1076, eff. 1-1-15.)
- 23 (Text of Section after amendment by P.A. 99-906)
- 24 (Text of Section from P.A. 96-159, 96-588, 97-96, 97-895,
- 98-1076, and 99-906) 25

- 1 Sec. 20-10. Competitive sealed bidding; reverse auction.
- 2 (a) Conditions for use. All contracts shall be awarded by competitive sealed bidding except as otherwise provided in
- 4 Section 20-5.
- 5 (b) Invitation for bids. An invitation for bids shall be 6 issued and shall include a purchase description and the 7 material contractual terms and conditions applicable to the
- 8 procurement.

- 9 (c) Public notice. Public notice of the invitation for bids
 10 shall be published in the Illinois Procurement Bulletin at
 11 least 14 calendar days before the date set in the invitation
- 12 for the opening of bids.
- (d) Bid opening. Bids shall be opened publicly in the presence of one or more witnesses at the time and place designated in the invitation for bids. The name of each bidder, the amount of each bid, and other relevant information as may be specified by rule shall be recorded. After the award of the contract, the winning bid and the record of each unsuccessful

bid shall be open to public inspection.

20 (e) Bid acceptance and bid evaluation. Bids shall be
21 unconditionally accepted without alteration or correction,
22 except as authorized in this Code. Bids shall be evaluated
23 based on the requirements set forth in the invitation for bids,
24 which may include criteria to determine acceptability such as
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- affect the bid price and be considered in evaluation for award, such as discounts, transportation costs, and total or life cycle costs, shall be objectively measurable. The invitation for bids shall set forth the evaluation criteria to be used.
 - (f) Correction or withdrawal of bids. Correction or withdrawal of inadvertently erroneous bids before or after award, or cancellation of awards of contracts based on bid mistakes, shall be permitted in accordance with rules. After bid opening, no changes in bid prices or other provisions of bids prejudicial to the interest of the State or fair competition shall be permitted. All decisions to permit the correction or withdrawal of bids based on bid mistakes shall be supported by written determination made by a State purchasing officer.
 - (g) Award. The contract shall be awarded with reasonable promptness by written notice to the lowest responsible and responsive bidder whose bid meets the requirements and criteria set forth in the invitation for bids, except when a State purchasing officer determines it is not in the best interest of the State and by written explanation determines another bidder shall receive the award. The explanation shall appear in the appropriate volume of the Illinois Procurement Bulletin. The written explanation must include:
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Each chief procurement officer may adopt quidelines to implement the requirements of this subsection (q).

The written explanation shall be filed with the Legislative Audit Commission and the Procurement Policy Board, and be made available for inspection by the public, within 30 calendar days after the agency's decision to award the contract.

(h) Multi-step sealed bidding. When it is considered impracticable to initially prepare a purchase description to support an award based on price, an invitation for bids may be issued requesting the submission of unpriced offers to be followed by written requests for sealed quotes with pricing to meet the need and an invitation for bids limited to the pool of those bidders whose offers have been qualified under the criteria set forth in the first solicitation. An award shall be made to the responsible vendor with the lowest priced quote meeting the needs of the State agency as needs are determined by the State agency. The chief procurement officer may re-open the pool following the procedures in this subsection (h) periodically as needed to ensure reasonable competition.

- (i) Alternative procedures. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act to the contrary, the Director of the Illinois Power Agency may create alternative bidding procedures to be used in procuring professional services under Section 1-56, subsections (a) and (c) of Section 1-75 and subsection (d) of Section 1-78 of the Illinois Power Agency Act and Section 16-111.5(c) of the Public Utilities Act and to procure renewable energy resources under Section 1-56 of the Illinois Power Agency Act. These alternative procedures shall be set forth together with the other criteria contained in the invitation for bids, and shall appear in the appropriate volume of the Illinois Procurement Bulletin.
- (j) Reverse auction. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section and in accordance with rules adopted by the chief procurement officer, that chief procurement officer may procure supplies or services through a competitive electronic auction bidding process after the chief procurement officer determines that the use of such a process will be in the best interest of the State. The chief procurement officer shall publish that determination in his or her next volume of the Illinois Procurement Bulletin.

An invitation for bids shall be issued and shall include (i) a procurement description, (ii) all contractual terms, whenever practical, and (iii) conditions applicable to the procurement, including a notice that bids will be received in an electronic auction manner.

- Public notice of the invitation for bids shall be given in 1 2 the same manner as provided in subsection (c).
- 3 Bids shall be accepted electronically at the time and in
- the manner designated in the invitation for bids. During the 4
- 5 auction, a bidder's price shall be disclosed to other bidders.
- 6 Bidders shall have the opportunity to reduce their bid prices
- 7 during the auction. At the conclusion of the auction, the
- 8 record of the bid prices received and the name of each bidder
- 9 shall be open to public inspection.
- 10 After the auction period has terminated, withdrawal of bids
- 11 shall be permitted as provided in subsection (f).
- 12 The contract shall be awarded within 60 calendar days after
- 13 the auction by written notice to the lowest responsible bidder,
- 14 or all bids shall be rejected except as otherwise provided in
- 15 this Code. Extensions of the date for the award may be made by
- 16 mutual written consent of the State purchasing officer and the
- 17 lowest responsible bidder.
- This subsection does not apply to (i) procurements of 18
- professional and artistic services, (ii) telecommunications 19
- services, communication services, and information services, 20
- and (iii) contracts for construction projects, including 21
- 22 design professional services.
- 23 (Source: P.A. 98-1076, eff. 1-1-15; 99-906, eff. 6-1-17.)
- 24 (Text of Section from P.A. 96-159, 96-795, 97-96, 97-895,
- 98-1076, and 99-906) 25

- 1 Sec. 20-10. Competitive sealed bidding; reverse auction.
- 2 (a) Conditions for use. All contracts shall be awarded by 3 competitive sealed bidding except as otherwise provided in
- 4 Section 20-5.

- (b) Invitation for bids. An invitation for bids shall be issued and shall include a purchase description and the material contractual terms and conditions applicable to the procurement.
 - (c) Public notice. Public notice of the invitation for bids shall be published in the Illinois Procurement Bulletin at least 14 calendar days before the date set in the invitation for the opening of bids.
 - (d) Bid opening. Bids shall be opened publicly in the presence of one or more witnesses at the time and place designated in the invitation for bids. The name of each bidder, the amount of each bid, and other relevant information as may be specified by rule shall be recorded. After the award of the contract, the winning bid and the record of each unsuccessful bid shall be open to public inspection.
 - (e) Bid acceptance and bid evaluation. Bids shall be unconditionally accepted without alteration or correction, except as authorized in this Code. Bids shall be evaluated based on the requirements set forth in the invitation for bids, which may include criteria to determine acceptability such as inspection, testing, quality, workmanship, delivery, and suitability for a particular purpose. Those criteria that will

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 - (f) Correction or withdrawal of bids. Correction or withdrawal of inadvertently erroneous bids before or after award, or cancellation of awards of contracts based on bid mistakes, shall be permitted in accordance with rules. After bid opening, no changes in bid prices or other provisions of bids prejudicial to the interest of the State or fair competition shall be permitted. All decisions to permit the correction or withdrawal of bids based on bid mistakes shall be supported by written determination made by a State purchasing officer.
 - (g) Award. The contract shall be awarded with reasonable promptness by written notice to the lowest responsible and responsive bidder whose bid meets the requirements and criteria set forth in the invitation for bids, except when a State purchasing officer determines it is not in the best interest of the State and by written explanation determines another bidder shall receive the award. The explanation shall appear in the appropriate volume of the Illinois Procurement Bulletin. The written explanation must include:
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 - When a multiple award is contemplated, the solicitation shall identify the award criteria and a detailed method of selecting from among the multiple awardees.

Each chief procurement officer may adopt quidelines to implement the requirements of this subsection (q).

The written explanation shall be filed with the Legislative Audit Commission and the Procurement Policy Board, and be made available for inspection by the public, within 30 days after the agency's decision to award the contract.

(h) Multi-step sealed bidding. When it is considered impracticable to initially prepare a purchase description to support an award based on price, an invitation for bids may be issued requesting the submission of unpriced offers to be followed by written requests for sealed quotes with pricing to meet the need and an invitation for bids limited to the pool of those bidders whose offers have been qualified under the criteria set forth in the first solicitation. An award shall be made to the responsible vendor with the lowest priced quote meeting the needs of the State agency as needs are determined by the State agency. The chief procurement officer may re-open the pool following the procedures in this subsection (h) periodically as needed to ensure reasonable competition.

- (i) Alternative procedures. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act to the contrary, the Director of the Illinois Power Agency may create alternative bidding procedures to be used in procuring professional services under subsections (a) and (c) of Section 1-75 and subsection (d) of Section 1-78 of the Illinois Power Agency Act and Section 16-111.5(c) of the Public Utilities Act and to procure renewable energy resources under Section 1-56 of the Illinois Power Agency Act. These alternative procedures shall be set forth together with the other criteria contained in the invitation for bids, and shall appear in the appropriate volume of the Illinois Procurement Bulletin.
- (j) Reverse auction. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section and in accordance with rules adopted by the chief procurement officer, that chief procurement officer may procure supplies or services through a competitive electronic auction bidding process after the chief procurement officer determines that the use of such a process will be in the best interest of the State. The chief procurement officer shall publish that determination in his or her next volume of the Illinois Procurement Bulletin.

An invitation for bids shall be issued and shall include (i) a procurement description, (ii) all contractual terms, whenever practical, and (iii) conditions applicable to the procurement, including a notice that bids will be received in an electronic auction manner.

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Public notice of the invitation for bids shall be given in 1 2 the same manner as provided in subsection (c).

Bids shall be accepted electronically at the time and in the manner designated in the invitation for bids. During the auction, a bidder's price shall be disclosed to other bidders. Bidders shall have the opportunity to reduce their bid prices during the auction. At the conclusion of the auction, the record of the bid prices received and the name of each bidder shall be open to public inspection.

After the auction period has terminated, withdrawal of bids shall be permitted as provided in subsection (f).

The contract shall be awarded within 60 calendar days after the auction by written notice to the lowest responsible bidder, or all bids shall be rejected except as otherwise provided in this Code. Extensions of the date for the award may be made by mutual written consent of the State purchasing officer and the lowest responsible bidder.

This subsection does not apply to (i) procurements of professional and artistic services, (ii) telecommunications services, communication services, and information services, and (iii) contracts for construction projects, including design professional services.

(Source: P.A. 98-1076, eff. 1-1-15; 99-906, eff. 6-1-17.) 23

24 (30 ILCS 500/20-15)

Sec. 20-15. Competitive sealed proposals.

- 1 (a) Conditions for use. When provided under this Code or 2 under rules, or when the purchasing agency determines in 3 writing that the use of competitive sealed bidding is either 4 not practicable or not advantageous to the State, a contract
- 6 (b) Request for proposals. Proposals shall be solicited 7 through a request for proposals.

may be entered into by competitive sealed proposals.

- (c) Public notice. Public notice of the request for proposals shall be published in the Illinois Procurement Bulletin at least 14 calendar days before the date set in the invitation for the opening of proposals.
- (d) Receipt of proposals. Proposals shall be opened publicly in the presence of one or more witnesses at the time and place designated in the request for proposals, but proposals shall be opened in a manner to avoid disclosure of contents to competing offerors during the process of negotiation. A record of proposals shall be prepared and shall be open for public inspection after contract award.
- (e) Evaluation factors. The requests for proposals shall state the relative importance of price and other evaluation factors. Proposals shall be submitted in 2 parts: the first, covering items except price; and the second, covering price. The first part of all proposals shall be evaluated and ranked independently of the second part of all proposals.
- (f) Discussion with responsible offerors and revisions of offers or proposals. As provided in the request for proposals

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- (g) Award. Awards shall be made to the responsible offeror whose proposal is determined in writing to be the most advantageous to the State, taking into consideration price and the evaluation factors set forth in the request for proposals.

 When a multiple award is contemplated, the solicitation shall identify the award criteria and the detailed method of selecting from among the multiple awardees. The contract file shall contain the basis on which any the award is made.
- (h) Multi-step sealed proposals. A request for proposals may be issued requesting the submission of offers to establish a pool of competitively-selected vendors to be followed by written requests for specific proposals with pricing to meet the need and limited to those in the pool of qualified vendors.

- Clarification, discussions, and best and finals shall be 1
- 2 allowed as in a standard request for proposals in each step of
- 3 the process. Award shall be made to the responsible vendors
- with the most advantageous proposal, price, and other factors 4
- 5 being considered. The chief procurement officer may re-open the
- pool following the procedures in this subsection 6
- 7 periodically as needed to ensure reasonable competition.
- (Source: P.A. 98-1076, eff. 1-1-15.) 8
- 9 (30 ILCS 500/20-20)
- 10 Sec. 20-20. Small purchases.
- 11 (a) Amount. Any individual procurement of supplies or
- 12 services other than professional or artistic services, not
- exceeding \$100,000 $\frac{$10,000}{}$ and any procurement of construction 13
- not exceeding \$100,000, or any individual procurement of 14
- 15 professional or artistic services not exceeding \$100,000
- 16 \$30,000 may be made without competitive source selection sealed
- bidding. Procurements shall not be artificially divided so as 17
- 18 to constitute a small purchase under this Section. Any
- procurement of construction not exceeding \$100,000 may be made 19
- 20 an alternative competitive source selection. The
- 21 construction agency shall establish rules for an alternative
- 22 competitive source selection process. This Section does not
- 23 apply to construction-related professional services contracts
- 24 awarded in accordance with the provisions of the Architectural,
- Engineering, and Land Surveying Qualifications Based Selection 25

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- (b) Adjustment. Each July 1, the small purchase maximum established in subsection (a) shall be adjusted for inflation as determined by the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers as determined by the United States Department of Labor and rounded to the nearest \$100.
- 7 (c) Based upon rules proposed by the Board and rules 8 promulgated by the chief procurement officers, the small 9 purchase maximum established in subsection (a) may be modified. 10 (Source: P.A. 90-572, eff. date - See Sec. 99-5.)
- 11 (30 ILCS 500/20-25)
- 12 Sec. 20-25. Sole source procurements.
 - (a) In accordance with standards set by rule, contracts may be awarded without use of the specified method of source selection when there is only one economically feasible source for the item. A State contract may be awarded as a sole source procurement unless an interested party submits a written request for a public hearing at which the chief procurement officer and purchasing agency present written justification for the procurement method. Any interested party may present testimony. A sole source contract where a hearing was requested by an interested party may be awarded after the hearing is conducted with the approval of the chief procurement officer.
 - (b) This Section may not be used as a basis for amending a contract for professional or artistic services if the amendment

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- would result in an increase in the amount paid under the 1 2 contract of more than 5% of the initial award, or would extend 3 the contract term beyond the time reasonably needed for a competitive procurement, not to exceed 2 months.
- 5 (c) Notice of intent to enter into a sole source contract shall be provided to the Procurement Policy Board and published 6 7 in the online electronic Bulletin at least 14 calendar days 8 before the public hearing required in subsection (a). The 9 notice shall include the sole source procurement justification 10 form prescribed by the Board, a description of the item to be 11 procured, the intended sole source contractor, and the date, 12 time, and location of the public hearing. A copy of the notice 13 and all documents provided at the hearing shall be included in 14 the subsequent Procurement Bulletin.
 - (d) By November August 1 each year, each chief procurement officer shall file a report with the General identifying each contract the officer sought under the sole source procurement method and providing the justification given for seeking sole source as the procurement method for each of those contracts.
- (Source: P.A. 97-895, eff. 8-3-12; 98-1076, eff. 1-1-15.) 21
- 22 (30 ILCS 500/20-30)
- 23 Sec. 20-30. Emergency purchases.
- 24 (a) Conditions for use. In accordance with standards set by 25 rule, a purchasing agency may make emergency procurements

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without competitive sealed bidding or prior notice when there exists a threat to public health or public safety, or when immediate expenditure is necessary for repairs to State property in order to protect against further loss of or damage to State property, to prevent or minimize serious disruption in critical State services that affect health, safety, collection of substantial State revenues, or to ensure the integrity of State records; provided, however, that the term of the emergency purchase shall be limited to the time reasonably needed for a competitive procurement, not to exceed 90 calendar days. A contract, other than a construction emergency contract, may be extended beyond 90 calendar days if the chief procurement officer determines additional time is necessary and that the contract scope and duration are limited to the emergency. Prior to execution of the extension, the chief procurement officer must hold a public hearing and provide written justification for all emergency contracts. Members of the public may present testimony. Emergency procurements shall be made with as much competition as is practicable under the circumstances. A written description of the basis for the emergency and reasons for the selection of the particular contractor shall be included in the contract file. For construction, construction-related, and construction support procurements, the 90-calendar-day term and provisions for contracts are not applicable.

(b) Notice. Notice of all emergency procurements shall be

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provided to the Procurement Policy Board and published in the online electronic Bulletin no later than 5 calendar days after the contract is awarded. Notice of intent to extend an emergency contract shall be provided to the Procurement Policy Board and published in the online electronic Bulletin at least 14 calendar days before the public hearing. Notice shall include at least a description of the need for the emergency purchase, the contractor, and if applicable, the date, time, and location of the public hearing. A copy of this notice and all documents provided at the hearing shall be included in the subsequent Procurement Bulletin. Before the next appropriate volume of the Illinois Procurement Bulletin, the purchasing agency shall publish in the Illinois Procurement Bulletin a copy of each written description and reasons and the total cost of each emergency procurement made during the previous month. When only an estimate of the total cost is known at the time of publication, the estimate shall be identified as an estimate and published. When the actual total cost is determined, it shall also be published in like manner before the 10th day of the next succeeding month.

(c) Affidavits. A chief procurement officer making a procurement under this Section shall file affidavits with the Procurement Policy Board and the Auditor General within 10 calendar days after the procurement setting forth the amount expended, the name of the contractor involved, and the conditions and circumstances requiring the

- procurement. When only an estimate of the cost is available 1 2 within 10 calendar days after the procurement, the actual cost 3 shall be reported immediately after it is determined. At the end of each fiscal quarter, the Auditor General shall file with 5 the Legislative Audit Commission and the Governor a complete 6 listing of all emergency procurements reported during that 7 fiscal quarter. The Legislative Audit Commission shall review 8 the emergency procurements so reported and, in its annual 9 reports, advise the General Assembly of procurements that 10 appear to constitute an abuse of this Section.
 - (d) Quick purchases. The chief procurement officer may promulgate rules extending the circumstances by which a purchasing agency may make purchases under this Section, including but not limited to the procurement of items available at a discount for a limited period of time.
- 16 (e) The changes to this Section made by this amendatory Act
 17 of the 96th General Assembly apply to procurements executed on
 18 or after its effective date.
- 19 (Source: P.A. 98-1076, eff. 1-1-15.)
- 20 (30 ILCS 500/20-43)

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Sec. 20-43. Bidder or offeror authorized to <u>transact</u>

<u>business or conduct affairs</u> do business in Illinois. In

addition to meeting any other requirement of law or rule, a

person (other than an individual acting as a sole proprietor)

may qualify as a bidder or offeror under this Code only if the

person is a legal entity prior to submitting the bid, offer, or 1 2 proposal. The legal entity must be authorized to transact 3 business or conduct affairs in Illinois prior to execution of the contract submitting the bid, offer, or proposal. This 4 5 Section shall not apply to construction contracts that are subject to the requirements of Sections 30-20 and 33-10 of this 6 7 Code. The pre-qualification requirements of Sections 30-20 and 33-10 of this Code shall include the requirement that the 8

- 10 (Source: P.A. 98-1076, eff. 1-1-15.)
- 11 (30 ILCS 500/20-155)

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12 Sec. 20-155. Solicitation and contract documents.

bidder be registered with the Secretary of State.

- 1.3 (a) Each chief procurement officer appointed pursuant to 14 Section 10-20 shall have the sole authority in their respective 15 jurisdiction to develop and distribute uniform documents for 16 the solicitation, review, and acceptance of all bids, offers, and responses and the award of contracts pursuant to this Code. 17 18 If a chief procurement officer appointed pursuant to Section 19 10-20 exercises the authority to develop and distribute uniform documents for the solicitation, review and acceptance of all 20 21 bids, offers and responses and the award of contracts, then the 22 State agency shall use the uniform documents.
 - (b) After award of a contract and subject to provisions of the Freedom of Information Act, the procuring agency shall make available for public inspection and copying all pre-award,

- post-award, administration, and close-out documents relating 1
- 2 to that particular contract. Publication of a notice of award
- 3 to the respective chief procurement officer's volume of the
- Illinois Procurement Bulletin shall constitute the award or
- 5 final selection for purposes of paragraph (h) of subsection (1)
- 6 of Section 7 of the Freedom of Information Act.
- 7 (c) A procurement file shall be maintained for all
- 8 contracts, regardless of the method of procurement.
- 9 procurement file shall contain the basis on which the award is
- 10 made, all submitted bids and proposals, all evaluation
- 11 materials including individual evaluators' τ score sheets and
- 12 all other documentation related to or prepared in conjunction
- with evaluation, negotiation, and the award process. 13
- 14 procurement file shall contain a written determination, signed
- 15 by the chief procurement officer or State purchasing officer,
- 16 setting forth the reasoning for the contract award decision.
- 17 The procurement file shall not include trade secrets or other
- competitively sensitive, confidential, or proprietary 18
- 19 information. The procurement file shall be open to public
- 20 inspection within 7 calendar days following the publication of
- the notice of award of the contract. 21
- 22 (Source: P.A. 97-895, eff. 8-3-12; 98-1076, eff. 1-1-15.)
- 23 (30 ILCS 500/20-160)
- 24 Sec. 20-160. Business entities; certification;
- 25 registration with the State Board of Elections.

- (a) For purposes of this Section, the terms "business entity", "contract", "State contract", "contract with a State agency", "State agency", "affiliated entity", and "affiliated person" have the meanings ascribed to those terms in Section 50-37.
- (b) Every bid and offer submitted to and every contract executed by the State on or after January 1, 2009 (the effective date of Public Act 95-971) and every submission to a vendor portal shall contain (1) a certification by the bidder, offeror, vendor, or contractor that either (i) the bidder, offeror, vendor, or contractor is not required to register as a business entity with the State Board of Elections pursuant to this Section or (ii) the bidder, offeror, vendor, or contractor has registered as a business entity with the State Board of Elections and acknowledges a continuing duty to update the registration and (2) a statement that the contract is voidable under Section 50-60 for the bidder's, offeror's, vendor's, or contractor's failure to comply with this Section.
- (c) Each business entity (i) whose aggregate bids and proposals on State contracts annually total more than \$50,000, (ii) whose aggregate bids and proposals on State contracts combined with the business entity's aggregate annual total value of State contracts exceed \$50,000, or (iii) whose contracts with State agencies, in the aggregate, annually total more than \$50,000 shall register with the State Board of Elections in accordance with Section 9-35 of the Election Code.

A business entity required to register under this subsection due to item (i) or (ii) has a continuing duty to ensure that the registration is accurate during the period beginning on the date of registration and ending on the day after the date the contract is awarded; any change in information must be reported to the State Board of Elections 5 business days following such change or no later than a day before the contract is awarded, whichever date is earlier. A business entity required to register under this subsection due to item (iii) has a continuing duty to ensure that the registration is accurate in accordance with subsection (e).

(d) Any business entity, not required under subsection (c) to register, whose aggregate bids and proposals on State contracts annually total more than \$50,000, or whose aggregate bids and proposals on State contracts combined with the business entity's aggregate annual total value of State contracts exceed \$50,000, shall register with the State Board of Elections in accordance with Section 9-35 of the Election Code prior to submitting to a State agency the bid or proposal whose value causes the business entity to fall within the monetary description of this subsection. A business entity required to register under this subsection has a continuing duty to ensure that the registration is accurate during the period beginning on the date of registration and ending on the day after the date the contract is awarded. Any change in information must be reported to the State Board of Elections

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within 5 business days following such change or no later than a day before the contract is awarded, whichever date is earlier.

(e) A business entity whose contracts with State agencies, in the aggregate, annually total more than \$50,000 must maintain its registration under this Section and has a continuing duty to ensure that the registration is accurate for duration of the term of office of the incumbent officeholder awarding the contracts or for a period of 2 years following the expiration or termination of the contracts, whichever is longer. A business entity, required to register under this subsection, has a continuing duty to report any changes on a quarterly basis to the State Board of Elections within 14 calendar days following the last day of January, April, July, and October of each year. Any update pursuant to this paragraph that is received beyond that date is presumed late and the civil penalty authorized by subsection (e) of Section 9-35 of the Election Code (10 ILCS 5/9-35) may be assessed.

Also, if a business entity required to register under this subsection has a pending bid or offer, any change in information shall be reported to the State Board of Elections within 7 calendar days following such change or no later than a day before the contract is awarded, whichever date is earlier.

(f) A business entity's continuing duty under this Section to ensure the accuracy of its registration includes the requirement that the business entity notify the State Board of

- 1 Elections of any change in information, including but not
- 2 limited to changes of affiliated entities or affiliated
- 3 persons.
- 4 (g) For any bid or offer for a contract with a State agency
- 5 by a business entity required to register under this Section,
- 6 the chief procurement officer shall verify that the business
- 7 entity is required to register under this Section and is in
- 8 compliance with the registration requirements on the date the
- 9 bid or offer is due. A chief procurement officer shall not
- 10 accept a bid or offer if the business entity is not in
- 11 compliance with the registration requirements as of the date
- 12 bids or offers are due. Upon discovery of noncompliance with
- this Section, if the bidder or offeror made a good faith effort
- 14 to comply with registration efforts prior to the date the bid
- or offer is due, a chief procurement officer may provide the
- 16 bidder or offeror 5 business days to achieve compliance. A
- 17 chief procurement officer may extend the time to prove
- compliance by as long as necessary in the event that there is a
- 19 failure within the State Board of Elections's registration
- 20 system.
- 21 (h) A registration, and any changes to a registration, must
- 22 include the business entity's verification of accuracy and
- 23 subjects the business entity to the penalties of the laws of
- 24 this State for perjury.
- In addition to any penalty under Section 9-35 of the
- 26 Election Code, intentional, willful, or material failure to

- disclose information required for registration shall render 1
- 2 the contract, bid, offer, or other procurement relationship
- 3 voidable by the chief procurement officer if he or she deems it
- to be in the best interest of the State of Illinois. 4
- 5 (i) This Section applies regardless of the method of source
- 6 selection used in awarding the contract.
- (Source: P.A. 97-333, eff. 8-12-11; 97-895, eff. 8-3-12; 7
- 98-1076, eff. 1-1-15.) 8
- 9 (30 ILCS 500/20-170 new)
- 10 Sec. 20-170. Special Committee on Procurement Efficiency,
- 11 Minority, Female, and Veterans Contracting, and Illinois
- 12 Preference in Purchasing.
- 1.3 (a) The Special Committee on Procurement Efficiency,
- Minority, Female, and Veterans Contracting, and Illinois 14
- 15 Preference in Purchasing is hereby created under the Executive
- 16 Ethics Commission. The Special Committee shall consist of the
- 17 following members:
- 18 (1) three members appointed by the President of the
- Senate, only one of whom may be a current member of the 19
- 20 Senate;
- 21 (2) three members appointed by the Minority Leader of
- 22 the Senate, only one of whom may be a current member of the
- 23 Senate;
- 24 (3) three members appointed by the Speaker of the House
- 25 of Representatives, only one of whom may be a current

| 1 | member of the House; |
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| 2 | (4) three members appointed by the Minority Leader of |
| 3 | the House, only one of whom may be a current member of the |
| 4 | House; |
| 5 | (5) the Director of Central Management Services or his |
| 6 | or her designee; |
| 7 | (6) the Chief Procurement Officer for the Department of |
| 8 | Transportation; |
| 9 | (7) the Chief Procurement Officer with jurisdiction |
| 10 | over institutions of higher education; and |
| 11 | (8) the Executive Director of the Capital Development |
| 12 | Board or his or her designee. |
| 13 | (b) Members of the Special Committee must be appointed no |
| 14 | later than 30 days after the effective date of this amendatory |
| 15 | Act of the 100th General Assembly. |
| 16 | (c) If a vacancy occurs on the Special Committee, it shall |
| 17 | be filled according to the guidelines of the initial |
| 18 | appointment. |
| 19 | (d) The Special Committee shall elect a chairperson and |
| 20 | vice-chairperson at the first meeting of the Special Committee. |
| 21 | At the discretion of the chairperson, additional individuals |
| 22 | may participate as non-voting members in the meetings of the |
| 23 | Special Committee. |
| 24 | (e) Members of the Special Committee shall serve without |
| 25 | compensation. The Executive Ethics Commission shall provide |
| 26 | staff and administrative services to the Special Committee. |

| 1 | (f) The Special Committee shall conduct at least 3 hearings |
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| 2 | with at least one in Springfield and one in Chicago. Each |
| 3 | hearing shall be open to the public and notice of such hearings |
| 4 | shall be posted on the websites of the Procurement Policy |
| 5 | Board, the Department of Central Management Services, and the |
| 6 | General Assembly at least 6 days prior to the hearing. |
| 7 | (g) The Special Committee on Procurement Efficiency and |
| 8 | Illinois Preference in Purchasing shall: |
| 9 | (1) review the current procurement process in Illinois |
| 10 | to determine what inefficacies currently exist in the State |
| 11 | procurement process and propose legislation to reduce |
| 12 | inefficacies while protecting State funds, ethics, and |
| 13 | transparency; |
| 14 | (2) review Illinois' procurement laws regarding |
| 15 | contracting with minority-owned businesses, female-owned |
| 16 | businesses, businesses owned by persons with disabilities, |
| 17 | and veteran-owned businesses to determine what changes |
| 18 | should be made to increase participation of these |
| 19 | businesses in State procurements; and |
| 20 | (3) review Illinois' resident bidder preference laws |
| 21 | and propose legislation aimed at strengthening Illinois' |
| 22 | resident bidder preference laws while not harming resident |
| 23 | bidders who do business in other states. |
| 24 | (h) The Special Committee shall make its findings and |
| 25 | recommendations to the General Assembly and to the Governor, |
| 26 | including legislative proposals, no later than December 31, |

| 1 | <u>2017.</u> |
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| 2 | (i) This Section is repealed on January 31, 2018. |
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| 3 | (30 ILCS 500/25-85 new) |
| 4 | Sec. 25-85. Best value procurement. |
| 5 | (a) this Section shall apply only to purchases of heavy |
| 6 | mobile fleet vehicles and off-road construction equipment |
| 7 | <pre>procured by or on behalf of:</pre> |
| 8 | (1) institutions of higher education; |
| 9 | (2) the Department of Agriculture; |
| 10 | (3) the Department of Transportation; and |
| 11 | (4) the Department of Natural Resources. |
| 12 | (b) As used in this Section, "best value procurement" means |
| 13 | a contract award determined by objective criteria related to |
| 14 | price, features, functions, and life-cycle costs that may |
| 15 | <pre>include the following:</pre> |
| 16 | (1) total cost of ownership, including warranty, under |
| 17 | which all repair costs are borne solely by the warranty |
| 18 | provider; repair costs; maintenance costs; fuel |
| 19 | <pre>consumption; and salvage value;</pre> |
| 20 | (2) product performance, productivity, and safety |
| 21 | standards; |
| 22 | (3) the supplier's ability to perform to the contract |
| 23 | requirements; and |
| 24 | (4) environmental benefits, including reduction of |
| 25 | greenhouse gas emissions, reduction of air pollutant |

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1 emissions, or reduction of toxic or hazardous materials.

- (c) The department or institution may enter into a contract for heavy mobile fleet vehicles and off-road construction equipment for use by the department or institution by means of best value procurement, using specifications and criteria developed in consultation with the Chief Procurement Officer of each designated department or institution and conducted in accordance with Section 20-15 of this Code.
- (c) The department or institution may enter into a contract for heavy mobile fleet vehicles and off-road construction equipment for use by the department or institution by means of best value procurement, using specifications and criteria developed in consultation with the Chief Procurement Officer of each designated department or institution and conducted in accordance with Section 20-15 of this Code.
- (d) In addition to disclosure of the minimum requirements for qualification, the solicitation document shall specify which business performance measures, in addition to price, shall be given a weighted value. The solicitation shall include a scoring method based on those factors and price in determining the successful offeror. Any evaluation and scoring method shall ensure substantial weight is given to the contract price.
- (e) Upon written request of any person who has submitted an offer, notice of the award shall be posted in a public place in the offices of the department or institution at least 24 hours

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before executing the contract or purchase order. If, before making an award, any offeror who has submitted a bid files a protest with the department or institution against the awarding of the contract or purchase order on the ground that his or her offer should have been selected in accordance with the selection criteria in the solicitation document, the contract or purchase order shall not be awarded until either the protest has been withdrawn or the appropriate Chief Procurement Officer has made a final decision as to the action to be taken relative to the protest. Within 10 days after filing a protest, the protesting offeror shall file with the Chief Procurement Officer a full and complete written statement specifying in detail the ground of the protest and the facts in support thereof.

- (f) The total annual value of vehicles and equipment purchased through best value procurement pursuant to this Section shall be limited to \$20,000,000 per each department or institution.
- Best value procurement shall only be used on procurements first solicited on or before June 30, 2020.
 - (h) On or before January 1, 2021, the Chief Procurement Officer of each designated department or institution shall prepare an evaluation of the best value procurement pilot program authorized by this Section, including a recommendation on whether or not the process should be continued. The evaluation shall be posted in the applicable volume or volumes

- of the Illinois Procurement Bulletin on or before January 1, 1
- 2 2021.

- 3 (i) This Section is repealed on January 1, 2021.
- 4 (30 ILCS 500/40-25)
- 5 Sec. 40-25. Length of leases.
- (a) Maximum term. Leases shall be for a term not to exceed 6 7 10 years inclusive, beginning January, 1, 2010, of proposed 8 contract renewals and shall include a termination option in 9 favor of the State after 5 years. The duration of any lease for 10 real property entered into by a public institution of higher 11 education that requires a capital improvement in excess of 12 \$100,000 as a condition of the lease may exceed 10 years, but 13 not more than 30 years, if the governing board of a public institution of higher education, during a public hearing, 14 15 determines that a lease in excess of 10 years is required or 16 necessary for the use or benefit of that public institution of higher education and is in the best interest of the public 17 institution of higher education. On July 1, 2022 and every 5 18 years thereafter, the capital improvement minimum established 19 in this subsection (a) shall be adjusted for inflation by the 20 21 chief procurement officer for higher education as determined by 22 the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers as determined 23 by the United States Department of Labor and rounded to the nearest \$100. 24
 - (b) Renewal. Leases may include a renewal option. An option

- 1 to renew may be exercised only when a State purchasing officer
- determines in writing that renewal is in the best interest of
- 3 the State and notice of the exercise of the option is published
- 4 in the appropriate volume of the Procurement Bulletin at least
- 5 60 calendar days prior to the exercise of the option.
- 6 (c) Subject to appropriation. All leases shall recite that
- 7 they are subject to termination and cancellation in any year
- 8 for which the General Assembly fails to make an appropriation
- 9 to make payments under the terms of the lease.
- 10 (d) Holdover. Beginning January 1, 2010, no lease may
- 11 continue on a month-to-month or other holdover basis for a
- 12 total of more than 6 months. Beginning July 1, 2010, the
- 13 Comptroller shall withhold payment of leases beyond this
- 14 holdover period.
- 15 (Source: P.A. 98-1076, eff. 1-1-15.)
- 16 (30 ILCS 500/45-30)
- 17 Sec. 45-30. Illinois Correctional Industries.
- 18 Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in other law, each the
- 19 chief procurement officer appointed pursuant to paragraph (4)
- 20 of subsection (a) of Section 10-20 shall, in consultation with
- 21 Illinois Correctional Industries, a division of the Illinois
- 22 Department of Corrections (referred to as the "Illinois
- 23 Correctional Industries" or "ICI") determine for all State
- 24 agencies under their respective jurisdictions which articles,
- 25 materials, industry related services, food stuffs, and

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finished goods that are produced or manufactured by persons confined in institutions and facilities of the Department of Corrections who are participating in Illinois Correctional Industries programs shall be purchased from Correctional Industries. Each The chief procurement officer appointed pursuant to paragraph (4) of subsection (a) of Section 10-20 shall develop and distribute to the appropriate various purchasing and using agencies a listing of all Illinois Correctional Industries products and procedures for implementing this Section.

- 12 (30 ILCS 500/45-45)
- Sec. 45-45. Small businesses. 1.3

(Source: P.A. 98-1076, eff. 1-1-15.)

- Set-asides. Each chief procurement officer authority to designate as small business set-asides a fair proportion of construction, supply, and service contracts for award to small businesses in Illinois. Advertisements for bids or offers for those contracts shall specify designation as small business set-asides. In awarding the contracts, only bids or offers from qualified small businesses shall be considered.
- (b) Small business. "Small business" means a business that is independently owned and operated and that is not dominant in its field of operation. The chief procurement officer shall establish a detailed definition by rule, using in addition to the foregoing criteria other criteria, including the number of

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employees and the dollar volume of business. When computing the size status of a potential contractor, annual sales and receipts of the potential contractor and all of its affiliates shall be included. The maximum number of employees and the maximum dollar volume that a small business may have under the rules promulgated by the chief procurement officer may vary from industry to industry to the extent necessary to reflect differing characteristics of those industries, subject to the following limitations:

- (1) No wholesale business is a small business if its annual sales for its most recently completed fiscal year exceed \$13,000,000.
- (2) No retail business or business selling services is a small business if its annual sales and receipts exceed \$8,000,000.
- (3) No manufacturing business is a small business if it employs more than 250 persons.
- (4) No construction business is a small business if its annual sales and receipts exceed \$14,000,000.
- (c) Fair proportion. For the purpose of subsection (a), for State agencies of the executive branch, a fair proportion of construction contracts shall be no less than 25% nor more than 40% of the annual total contracts for construction.
- (d) Withdrawal of designation. A small business set-aside designation may be withdrawn by the purchasing agency when deemed in the best interests of the State. Upon withdrawal, all

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- bids or offers shall be rejected, and the bidders or offerors shall be notified of the reason for rejection. The contract shall then be awarded in accordance with this Code without the designation of small business set-aside.
 - Small business specialist. The chief procurement officer shall designate an individual a State purchasing officer who will be responsible for engaging an experienced contract negotiator to serve as its small business specialist. The small business specialists shall collectively work together to accomplish the following duties, whose duties shall include:
 - (1) Compiling and maintaining a comprehensive list of potential small contractors. In this duty, he or she shall cooperate with the Federal Small Business Administration in locating potential sources for various products and services.
 - (2) Assisting small businesses in complying with the procedures for bidding on State contracts.
 - (3) Examining requests from State agencies for the purchase of property or services to help determine which invitations to bid are to be designated small business set-asides.
 - (4) Making recommendations to the chief procurement officer for the simplification of specifications and terms in order to increase the opportunities for small business participation.

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- (5) Assisting in investigations by purchasing agencies 1 2 to determine the responsibility of bidders or offerors on small business set-asides. 3
 - (f) Small business annual report. Each small business specialist The State purchasing officer designated under subsection (e) shall annually before December 1 report in writing to the General Assembly concerning the awarding of contracts to small businesses. The report shall include the total value of awards made in the preceding fiscal year under the designation of small business set-aside. The report shall also include the total value of awards made to businesses owned by minorities, females, and persons with disabilities, as defined in the Business Enterprise for Minorities, Females, and Persons with Disabilities Act, in the preceding fiscal year under the designation of small business set-aside.
 - The requirement for reporting to the General Assembly shall be satisfied by filing copies of the report as required by Section 3.1 of the General Assembly Organization Act.
- (Source: P.A. 98-1076, eff. 1-1-15.) 19
- 20 (30 ILCS 500/45-57)
- 21 Sec. 45-57. Veterans.
- 22 (a) Set-aside goal. It is the goal of the State to promote and encourage the continued economic development of small 23 24 businesses owned and controlled by qualified veterans and that qualified service-disabled veteran-owned small businesses 25

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(referred to as SDVOSB) and veteran-owned small businesses (referred to as VOSB) participate in the State's procurement process as both prime contractors and subcontractors. Not less than 3% of the total dollar amount of State contracts, as defined by the Director of Central Management Services, shall be established as a goal to be awarded to SDVOSB and VOSB. That portion of a contract under which the contractor subcontracts with a SDVOSB or VOSB may be counted toward the goal of this subsection. The Department of Central Management Services shall adopt rules to implement compliance with this subsection by all State agencies.

- (b) Fiscal year reports. By each November September 1, each chief procurement officer shall report to the Department of Central Management Services on all of the following for the immediately preceding fiscal year, and by each March 1 the Department of Central Management Services shall compile and report that information to the General Assembly:
 - (1) The total number of VOSB, and the number of SDVOSB, who submitted bids for contracts under this Code.
 - (2) The total number of VOSB, and the number of SDVOSB, who entered into contracts with the State under this Code and the total value of those contracts.
- (c) Yearly review and recommendations. Each year, each chief procurement officer shall review the progress of all State agencies under its jurisdiction in meeting the goal described in subsection (a), with input from statewide

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veterans' service organizations and from the business community, including businesses owned by qualified veterans, and shall make recommendations to be included in the Department of Central Management Services' report to the General Assembly regarding continuation, increases, or decreases percentage goal. The recommendations shall be based upon the number of businesses that are owned by qualified veterans and on the continued need to encourage and promote businesses owned by qualified veterans.

- (d) Governor's recommendations. To assist the State in reaching the goal described in subsection (a), the Governor shall recommend to the General Assembly changes in programs to assist businesses owned by qualified veterans.
 - (e) Definitions. As used in this Section:

"Armed forces of the United States" means the United States Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, or service in active duty as defined under 38 U.S.C. Section 101. Service in the Merchant Marine that constitutes active duty under Section 401 of federal Public Act 95-202 shall also be considered service in the armed forces for purposes of this Section.

"Certification" means a determination made by the Illinois Department of Veterans' Affairs and the Department of Central Management Services that a business entity is a qualified service-disabled veteran-owned small business or a qualified veteran-owned small business for whatever purpose. A SDVOSB or VOSB owned and controlled by females, minorities, or persons

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with disabilities, as those terms are defined in Section 2 of the Business Enterprise for Minorities, Females, and Persons with Disabilities Act, may also select and designate whether that business is to be certified as a "female-owned business", "minority-owned business", or "business owned by a person with a disability", as defined in Section 2 of the Business Enterprise for Minorities, Females, and Persons with Disabilities Act.

"Control" means the exclusive, ultimate, majority, or sole control of the business, including but not limited to capital investment and all other financial matters, negotiations, acquisitions, contract legal matters, officer-director-employee selection and comprehensive hiring, operation responsibilities, cost-control matters, income and dividend matters, financial transactions, and rights of other shareholders or joint partners. Control shall be substantial, and continuing, not pro forma. Control shall include the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of the business and to make the day-to-day as well as major decisions in matters of policy, management, and operations. Control shall be exemplified by possessing the requisite knowledge and expertise to run the particular business, and control shall not include simple majority or absentee ownership.

"Qualified service-disabled veteran" means a veteran who has been found to have 10% or more service-connected disability

1 by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs or the

2 United States Department of Defense.

"Qualified service-disabled veteran-owned small business" or "SDVOSB" means a small business (i) that is at least 51% owned by one or more qualified service-disabled veterans living in Illinois or, in the case of a corporation, at least 51% of the stock of which is owned by one or more qualified service-disabled veterans living in Illinois; (ii) that has its home office in Illinois; and (iii) for which items (i) and (ii) are factually verified annually by the Department of Central Management Services.

"Qualified veteran-owned small business" or "VOSB" means a small business (i) that is at least 51% owned by one or more qualified veterans living in Illinois or, in the case of a corporation, at least 51% of the stock of which is owned by one or more qualified veterans living in Illinois; (ii) that has its home office in Illinois; and (iii) for which items (i) and (ii) are factually verified annually by the Department of Central Management Services.

"Service-connected disability" means a disability incurred in the line of duty in the active military, naval, or air service as described in 38 U.S.C. 101(16).

"Small business" means a business that has annual gross sales of less than \$75,000,000 as evidenced by the federal income tax return of the business. A firm with gross sales in excess of this cap may apply to the Department of Central

1 Management Services for certification for a particular

2 contract if the firm can demonstrate that the contract would

have significant impact on SDVOSB or VOSB as suppliers or

subcontractors or in employment of veterans or

service-disabled veterans.

"State agency" has the <u>meaning provided in Section 1-15.100</u>
of this Code. same meaning as in Section 2 of the Business
Enterprise for Minorities, Females, and Persons with

Disabilities Act.

"Time of hostilities with a foreign country" means any period of time in the past, present, or future during which a declaration of war by the United States Congress has been or is in effect or during which an emergency condition has been or is in effect that is recognized by the issuance of a Presidential proclamation or a Presidential executive order and in which the armed forces expeditionary medal or other campaign service medals are awarded according to Presidential executive order.

"Veteran" means a person who (i) has been a member of the armed forces of the United States or, while a citizen of the United States, was a member of the armed forces of allies of the United States in time of hostilities with a foreign country and (ii) has served under one or more of the following conditions: (a) the veteran served a total of at least 6 months; (b) the veteran served for the duration of hostilities regardless of the length of the engagement; (c) the veteran was discharged on the basis of hardship; or (d) the veteran was

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- released from active duty because of a service connected disability and was discharged under honorable conditions.
 - (f) Certification program. The Illinois Department of Veterans' Affairs and the Department of Central Management Services shall work together to devise a certification procedure to assure that businesses taking advantage of this Section are legitimately classified as qualified service-disabled veteran-owned small businesses or qualified veteran-owned small businesses.

(g) Penalties.

(1) Administrative penalties. The chief procurement officers appointed pursuant to Section 10-20 shall suspend any person who commits a violation of Section 17-10.3 or subsection (d) of Section 33E-6 of the Criminal Code of 2012 relating to this Section from bidding on, participating as a contractor, subcontractor, or supplier in, any State contract or project for a period of not less than 3 years, and, if the person is certified as service-disabled veteran-owned small business orа veteran-owned small business, then the Department shall revoke the business's certification for a period of not less than 3 years. An additional or subsequent violation shall extend the periods of suspension and revocation for a period of not less than 5 years. The suspension and revocation shall apply to the principals of the business and any subsequent business formed or financed by, or

affiliated with, those principals.

- (2) Reports of violations. Each State agency shall report any alleged violation of Section 17-10.3 or subsection (d) of Section 33E-6 of the Criminal Code of 2012 relating to this Section to the chief procurement officers appointed pursuant to Section 10-20. The chief procurement officers appointed pursuant to Section 10-20 shall subsequently report all such alleged violations to the Attorney General, who shall determine whether to bring a civil action against any person for the violation.
- (3) List of suspended persons. The chief procurement officers appointed pursuant to Section 10-20 shall monitor the status of all reported violations of Section 17-10.3 or subsection (d) of Section 33E-6 of the Criminal Code of 1961 or the Criminal Code of 2012 relating to this Section and shall maintain and make available to all State agencies a central listing of all persons that committed violations resulting in suspension.
- (4) Use of suspended persons. During the period of a person's suspension under paragraph (1) of this subsection, a State agency shall not enter into any contract with that person or with any contractor using the services of that person as a subcontractor.
- (5) Duty to check list. Each State agency shall check the central listing provided by the chief procurement officers appointed pursuant to Section 10-20 under

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1 paragraph (3) of this subsection to verify that a person

2 being awarded a contract by that State agency, or to be

3 used as a subcontractor or supplier on a contract being

awarded by that State agency, is not under suspension

pursuant to paragraph (1) of this subsection.

6 (Source: P.A. 97-260, eff. 8-5-11; 97-1150, eff. 1-25-13;

98-307, eff. 8-12-13; 98-1076, eff. 1-1-15.)

(30 ILCS 500/50-2)

Sec. 50-2. Continuing disclosure; false certification. Every person that has entered into a multi-year contract and every subcontractor with a multi-year subcontract shall certify, by January July 1 of each fiscal year covered by the contract after the initial fiscal year, to the responsible chief procurement officer whether it continues to satisfy the requirements of this Article pertaining to eligibility for a contract award. If a contractor or subcontractor is not able to truthfully certify that it continues to meet all requirements, it shall provide with its certification a detailed explanation of the circumstances leading to the change in certification status. A contractor or subcontractor that makes a false statement material to any given certification required under this Article is, in addition to any other penalties or consequences prescribed by law, subject to liability under the Illinois False Claims Act for submission of a false claim.

25 (Source: P.A. 96-795, eff. 7-1-10 (see Section 5 of P.A. 96-793

- for the effective date of P.A. 96-795); 96-1304, eff. 7-27-10.) 1
- (30 ILCS 500/50-10) 2
- 3 Sec. 50-10. Felons.

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- (a) Unless otherwise provided, no person or business convicted of a felony shall do business with the State of Illinois or any State agency, or enter into a subcontract, from the date of conviction until 5 years after the date of completion of the sentence for that felony, unless no person held responsible by a prosecutorial office for the facts upon which the conviction was based continues to have involvement with the business. For purposes of this subsection (a), "completion of sentence" means completion of all sentencing related to the felony conviction or admission and includes, but is not limited to, the following: incarceration, mandatory supervised release, probation, work release, house arrest, or commitment to a mental facility.
 - (b) Every bid or offer submitted to the State, every contract executed by the State, every subcontract subject to Section 20-120 of this Code, and every vendor's submission to a vendor portal shall contain a certification by the bidder, offeror, potential contractor, contractor, or subcontractor, respectively, that the bidder, offeror, potential contractor, contractor, or subcontractor is not barred from being awarded a contract or subcontract under this Section and acknowledges that the chief procurement officer may declare the related

- 1 contract void if any of the certifications required by this
- 2 Section are false. If the false certification is made by a
- 3 subcontractor, then the contractor's submitted bid or offer and
- 4 the executed contract may not be declared void, unless the
- 5 contractor refuses to terminate the subcontract upon the
- 6 State's request after a finding that the subcontract's
- 7 certification was false.
- 8 (Source: P.A. 97-895, eff. 8-3-12; 98-1076, eff. 1-1-15.)
- 9 (30 ILCS 500/50-10.5)
- 10 Sec. 50-10.5. Prohibited bidders, offerors, potential
- 11 contractors, and contractors.
- 12 (a) Unless otherwise provided, no business shall bid,
- offer, enter into a contract or subcontract under this Code, or
- 14 make a submission to a vendor portal if the business or any
- officer, director, partner, or other managerial agent of the
- 16 business has been convicted of a felony under the
- 17 Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 or a Class 3 or Class 2 felony under
- the Illinois Securities Law of 1953 for a period of 5 years
- 19 from the date of conviction.
- 20 (b) Every bid and offer submitted to the State, every
- 21 contract executed by the State, every vendor's submission to a
- vendor portal, and every subcontract subject to Section 20-120
- of this Code shall contain a certification by the bidder,
- offeror, potential contractor, contractor, or subcontractor,
- 25 respectively, that the bidder, offeror, potential contractor,

certification was false.

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- (c) If a business is not a natural person, the prohibition in subsection (a) applies only if:
 - (1) the business itself is convicted of a felony referenced in subsection (a); or
 - (2) the business is ordered to pay punitive damages based on the conduct of any officer, director, partner, or other managerial agent who has been convicted of a felony referenced in subsection (a).
 - (d) A natural person who is convicted of a felony referenced in subsection (a) remains subject to Section 50-10.
 - (e) No person or business shall bid, offer, make a submission to a vendor portal, or enter into a contract under this Code if the person or business assisted an employee of the State of Illinois, who, by the nature of his or her duties, has the authority to participate personally and substantially in the decision to award a State contract, by reviewing, drafting,

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directing, or preparing any invitation for bids, a request for 1

2 proposal, or request for information or provided similar

assistance except as part of a publicly issued opportunity to

review drafts of all or part of these documents.

This subsection does not prohibit a person or business from submitting a bid or offer or entering into a contract if the person or business: (i) initiates a communication with an employee to provide general information about products, services, or industry best practices, and, if applicable, that communication is documented in accordance with Section 50 39 or (ii) responds to a communication initiated by an employee of the State for the purposes of providing information to evaluate new products, trends, services, or technologies, or (iii) asks for clarification regarding a contract solicitation so long as there is no competitive advantage to the person or business and the question and answer, if material, are posted to the Illinois Procurement Bulletin as an addendum to the contract solicitation.

Nothing in this Section prohibits a vendor developing technology, goods, or services from bidding or offering to supply that technology or those goods or services if the subject demonstrated to the State represents industry trends and innovation and is not specifically designed to meet the State's needs.

Nothing in this Section prohibits a person performing construction related services from initiating contact with a

- 1 <u>business</u> that performs construction for the purpose of
- 2 obtaining market costs or production time to determine the
- 3 <u>estimated costs to complete the construction project.</u>
- 4 For purposes of this subsection (e), "business" includes
- 5 all individuals with whom a business is affiliated, including,
- 6 but not limited to, any officer, agent, employee, consultant,
- 7 independent contractor, director, partner, or manager of a
- 8 business.
- 9 No person or business shall submit specifications to a
- 10 State agency unless requested to do so by an employee of the
- 11 State. No person or business who contracts with a State agency
- to write specifications for a particular procurement need shall
- 13 submit a bid or proposal or receive a contract for that
- 14 procurement need.
- 15 (Source: P.A. 97-895, eff. 8-3-12; 98-1076, eff. 1-1-15.)
- 16 (30 ILCS 500/50-40)
- 17 Sec. 50-40. Reporting and anticompetitive practices. When,
- 18 for any reason, any vendor, bidder, offeror, potential
- 19 contractor, contractor, chief procurement officer, State
- 20 purchasing officer, designee, elected official, or State
- 21 employee suspects collusion or other anticompetitive practice
- 22 among any bidders, offerors, potential contractors,
- 23 contractors, or employees of the State, a notice of the
- 24 relevant facts shall be transmitted to the appropriate
- 25 Inspector General, the Attorney General and the chief

- 1 procurement officer. The reporting requirements shall be
- 2 conveyed through ethics training under the State Officials and
- 3 Employees Ethics Act. An employee who knowingly and
- 4 intentionally violates this Section shall be subject to
- 5 suspension or discharge.
- 6 (Source: P.A. 98-1076, eff. 1-1-15.)
- 7 (30 ILCS 500/50-45)
- 8 Sec. 50-45. Confidentiality. Any chief procurement
- 9 officer, State purchasing officer, designee, or executive
- officer, or State employee who willfully uses or allows the use
- 11 of specifications, competitive solicitation documents,
- 12 proprietary competitive information, contracts, or selection
- information to compromise the fairness or integrity of the
- 14 procurement or contract process shall be subject to immediate
- dismissal, regardless of the Personnel Code, any contract, or
- any collective bargaining agreement, and may in addition be
- 17 subject to criminal prosecution.
- 18 (Source: P.A. 98-1076, eff. 1-1-15.)
- 19 (30 ILCS 500/50-39 rep.)
- 20 Section 15. The Illinois Procurement Code is amended by
- 21 repealing Section 50-39.
- 22 Section 20. The Small Business Contracts Act is amended by
- 23 changing Sections 10 and 20 as follows:

- 1 (30 ILCS 503/10)
- 2 Sec. 10. Award of State contracts.
- 3 (a) Not less than 10% of the total dollar amount of State
 4 contracts shall be established as a goal to be awarded <u>as a</u>
 5 <u>contract or subcontract</u> to small businesses.
- 6 (b) The percentage in subsection (a) relates to the total
 7 dollar amount of State contracts during each State fiscal year,
 8 calculated by examining independently each type of contract for
 9 each State official or agency which lets such contracts.
- 10 (Source: P.A. 97-307, eff. 8-11-11.)
- 11 (30 ILCS 503/20)

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- Sec. 20. Annual report. Each chief procurement officer shall file no later than November March 1 of each year, an annual report that shall detail the level of achievement toward the goals specified in this Act over the 3 most recent fiscal years. The annual report shall include, but need not be limited to, the following:
 - (1) a summary detailing State appropriations subject to the goals, the actual goals specified, and the goals attained by each State official or agency;
- 21 (2) a summary of the number of contracts awarded and 22 the average contract amount by each State official or 23 agency; and
- 24 (3) an analysis of the level of overall goal

- 1 achievement concerning purchases from small businesses.
- 2 (Source: P.A. 97-307, eff. 8-11-11.)
- 3 Section 25. The Governmental Joint Purchasing Act is
- 4 amended by changing Section 2 as follows:
- 5 (30 ILCS 525/2) (from Ch. 85, par. 1602)
- 6 Sec. 2. Joint purchasing authority.
- 7 (a) Any governmental unit may purchase personal property,
- 8 supplies and services jointly with one or more other
- 9 governmental units. All such joint purchases shall be by
- 10 competitive solicitation as provided in Section 4 of this Act.
- 11 The provisions of any other acts under which a governmental
- 12 unit operates which refer to purchases and procedures in
- connection therewith shall be superseded by the provisions of
- 14 this Act when the governmental units are exercising the joint
- powers created by this Act.
- 16 (a-5) A chief procurement officer established in Section
- 17 10-20 of the Illinois Procurement Code may authorize the
- 18 purchase of personal property, supplies, and services jointly
- 19 with a governmental entity of this or another state or with a
- 20 consortium of governmental entities of one or more other
- 21 states. Subject to provisions of the joint purchasing
- 22 solicitation, the appropriate chief procurement officer may
- 23 designate the resulting contract as available to governmental
- 24 units in Illinois. The chief procurement officers shall submit

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to the General Assembly by November 1 of each year a report of procurements made under this subsection (a-5).

(a-10) Each chief procurement officer appointed pursuant to Section 10-20 of the Illinois Procurement Code may authorize the purchase or lease of personal property, supplies, and services which have been procured through a competitive process by a federal agency, a consortium of governmental, educational, medical, research, or similar entities, or group purchasing organizations of which the chief procurement officer or State agency is a member or affiliate, including, without limitation, any purchasing entity operating under the federal General Service Administration, and the Higher Education Cooperation Act. A chief procurement office may authorize purchases and contracts established by other means if the chief procurement officer determines it is in the best interests of the State. Each chief procurement officer may establish detailed rules and policies and procedures for use of these cooperative solicitations and contracts, including, without limitation, that the State agency make a determination that the award or contract is in the best interest of the State and that the contract include provisions required by Illinois law. Notice of awards or contracts shall be published by the chief procurement officer in the Illinois Procurement Bulletin at least 14 days prior to use of the award or contract. Each chief procurement officer shall submit to the General Assembly by November 1 of each year a report of procurements made under this subsection 1 (a-10).

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- (a-15) A public institution of higher education may enter directly into agreements under the cost savings program authorized pursuant to the Midwest Higher Education Cooperation Act, when the institution makes a determination that it is in the best interests of the institution and the State based on estimated cost savings or otherwise, for the procurement of (i) computer and technology related products, equipment, or services and (ii) insurance. These procurements under this subsection (a-15) shall not be governed by any other provisions of this Act. Any public institutions of higher education entering into agreements for procurement through the Midwest Higher Education Cooperation Act shall post notice of the procurements to the appropriate Illinois Procurement Bulletin within 14 days of execution of the agreements.
 - (b) Any not-for-profit agency that qualifies under Section 45-35 of the Illinois Procurement Code and that either (1) acts pursuant to a board established by or controlled by a unit of local government or (2) receives grant funds from the State or from a unit of local government, shall be eligible to participate in contracts established by the State.
- 22 (Source: P.A. 96-584, eff. 1-1-10; 97-895, eff. 8-3-12.)
- 23 Section 30. The Illinois Human Rights Act is amended by 24 changing Section 2-101 as follows:

| 1 | (775 ILCS 5/2-101) (from Ch. 68, par. 2-101) |
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| 2 | Sec. 2-101. Definitions. The following definitions are |
| 3 | applicable strictly in the context of this Article. |
| 4 | (A) Employee. |
| 5 | (1) "Employee" includes: |
| 6 | (a) Any individual performing services for |
| 7 | remuneration within this State for an employer; |
| 8 | (b) An apprentice; |
| 9 | (c) An applicant for any apprenticeship. |
| 10 | For purposes of subsection (D) of Section 2-102 of this |
| 11 | Act, "employee" also includes an unpaid intern. An unpaid |
| 12 | intern is a person who performs work for an employer under |
| 13 | the following circumstances: |
| 14 | (i) the employer is not committed to hiring the |
| 15 | person performing the work at the conclusion of the |
| 16 | <pre>intern's tenure;</pre> |
| 17 | (ii) the employer and the person performing the |
| 18 | work agree that the person is not entitled to wages for |
| 19 | the work performed; and |
| 20 | (iii) the work performed: |
| 21 | (I) supplements training given in an |
| 22 | educational environment that may enhance the |
| 23 | employability of the intern; |
| 24 | (II) provides experience for the benefit of |
| 25 | the person performing the work; |
| 26 | (III) does not displace regular employees; |

| 1 | (IV) is performed under the close supervision |
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| 2 | of existing staff; and |
| 3 | (V) provides no immediate advantage to the |
| 4 | employer providing the training and may |
| 5 | occasionally impede the operations of the |
| 6 | employer. |
| 7 | (2) "Employee" does not include: |
| 8 | (a) (Blank); |
| 9 | (b) Individuals employed by persons who are not |
| 10 | "employers" as defined by this Act; |
| 11 | (c) Elected public officials or the members of |
| 12 | their immediate personal staffs; |
| 13 | (d) Principal administrative officers of the State |
| 14 | or of any political subdivision, municipal corporation |
| 15 | or other governmental unit or agency; |
| 16 | (e) A person in a vocational rehabilitation |
| 17 | facility certified under federal law who has been |
| 18 | designated an evaluee, trainee, or work activity |
| 19 | client. |
| 20 | (B) Employer. |
| 21 | (1) "Employer" includes: |
| 22 | (a) Any person employing 15 or more employees |
| 23 | within Illinois during 20 or more calendar weeks within |
| 24 | the calendar year of or preceding the alleged |
| 25 | violation; |
| 26 | (b) Any person employing one or more employees when |

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- a complainant alleges civil rights violation due to unlawful discrimination based upon his or her physical or mental disability unrelated to ability, pregnancy, or sexual harassment;
 - (c) The State and any political subdivision, municipal corporation or other governmental unit or agency, without regard to the number of employees;
 - (d) Any party to a public contract without regard
 to the number of employees;
 - (e) A joint apprenticeship or training committee without regard to the number of employees.
 - "Employer" does not include any (2) religious association, educational corporation, institution, society, or non-profit nursing institution conducted by and for those who rely upon treatment by prayer through spiritual means in accordance with the tenets of a recognized church or religious denomination with respect to the employment of individuals of a particular religion to perform work connected with the carrying on by such corporation, association, educational institution, society or non-profit nursing institution of its activities.
 - (C) Employment Agency. "Employment Agency" includes both public and private employment agencies and any person, labor organization, or labor union having a hiring hall or hiring office regularly undertaking, with or without compensation, to procure opportunities to work, or to procure, recruit, refer or

1 place employees.

- (D) Labor Organization. "Labor Organization" includes any organization, labor union, craft union, or any voluntary unincorporated association designed to further the cause of the rights of union labor which is constituted for the purpose, in whole or in part, of collective bargaining or of dealing with employers concerning grievances, terms or conditions of employment, or apprenticeships or applications for apprenticeships, or of other mutual aid or protection in connection with employment, including apprenticeships or applications for apprenticeships.
 - (E) Sexual Harassment. "Sexual harassment" means any unwelcome sexual advances or requests for sexual favors or any conduct of a sexual nature when (1) submission to such conduct is made either explicitly or implicitly a term or condition of an individual's employment, (2) submission to or rejection of such conduct by an individual is used as the basis for employment decisions affecting such individual, or (3) such conduct has the purpose or effect of substantially interfering with an individual's work performance or creating an intimidating, hostile or offensive working environment.
 - (F) Religion. "Religion" with respect to employers includes all aspects of religious observance and practice, as well as belief, unless an employer demonstrates that he is unable to reasonably accommodate an employee's or prospective employee's religious observance or practice without undue

- 1 hardship on the conduct of the employer's business.
- 2 (G) Public Employer. "Public employer" means the State, an 3 agency or department thereof, unit of local government, school 4 district, instrumentality or political subdivision.
 - (H) Public Employee. "Public employee" means an employee of the State, agency or department thereof, unit of local government, school district, instrumentality or political subdivision. "Public employee" does not include public officers or employees of the General Assembly or agencies thereof.
 - (I) Public Officer. "Public officer" means a person who is elected to office pursuant to the Constitution or a statute or ordinance, or who is appointed to an office which is established, and the qualifications and duties of which are prescribed, by the Constitution or a statute or ordinance, to discharge a public duty for the State, agency or department thereof, unit of local government, school district, instrumentality or political subdivision.
 - (J) Eligible Bidder. "Eligible bidder" means a person who, prior to contract award or prior to bid opening for State contracts for construction or construction-related services a bid opening, has filed with the Department a properly completed, sworn and currently valid employer report form, pursuant to the Department's regulations. The provisions of this Article relating to eligible bidders apply only to bids on contracts with the State and its departments, agencies, boards,

- 1 and commissions, and the provisions do not apply to bids on
- 2 contracts with units of local government or school districts.
- 3 (K) Citizenship Status. "Citizenship status" means the
- 4 status of being:
- 5 (1) a born U.S. citizen;
- 6 (2) a naturalized U.S. citizen;
- 7 (3) a U.S. national; or
- 8 (4) a person born outside the United States and not a
- 9 U.S. citizen who is not an unauthorized alien and who is
- 10 protected from discrimination under the provisions of
- 11 Section 1324b of Title 8 of the United States Code, as now
- or hereafter amended.
- 13 (Source: P.A. 98-1037, eff. 1-1-15; 98-1050, eff. 1-1-15;
- 14 99-78, eff. 7-20-15; 99-758, eff. 1-1-17.)
- 15 Section 95. No acceleration or delay. Where this Act makes
- 16 changes in a statute that is represented in this Act by text
- that is not yet or no longer in effect (for example, a Section
- 18 represented by multiple versions), the use of that text does
- 19 not accelerate or delay the taking effect of (i) the changes
- 20 made by this Act or (ii) provisions derived from any other
- 21 Public Act.
- Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect July 1,
- 23 2017.

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