1 AN ACT concerning State government.

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

- Section 5. The Illinois Procurement Code is amended by adding Section 45-95 as follows:
- 6 (30 ILCS 500/45-95 new)
- 7 Sec. 45-95. HUBZone business contracts.
- 8 (a) For the purposes of this Section:
- 9 <u>"HUBZone business" means a business that operates and</u>
 10 <u>employs people in Historically Underutilized Business</u>
 11 <u>Zones (HUBZone) as designated by the federal HUBZone</u>
- 12 Empowerment Act.
- "Qualified HUBZone small business concern" means a

 business that qualifies under the HUBZone program

 administered by the United States Small Business

 Administration.
- 17 (b) Each chief procurement officer shall establish rules,
 18 in consultation with the procuring agency, related to the
 19 eligibility of qualified HUBZone small business concerns to
 20 receive preference under this Section, and shall verify the
 21 accuracy of any information submitted by a qualified HUBZone
- 22 <u>small business concern with respect to a contract awarded under</u>
- this Section.

- (c) The provisions of this Section shall not apply to: (1) 1
- 2 construction procurements; (2) construction-related services
- procurements; or (3) the selection of construction-related 3
- 4 professional services.