

102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2021 and 2022 SB2491

Introduced 2/26/2021, by Sen. Ram Villivalam

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

30 ILCS 535/30

from Ch. 127, par. 4151-30

Amends the Architectural, Engineering, and Land Surveying Qualifications Based Selection Act. Provides that the term of any member of a selection committee created by the Department of Transportation to select firms to provide architectural, engineering, and land surveying services prior to January 1, 2022 shall be terminated on December 31, 2021. Provides that beginning on or after January 1, 2022, the Department of Transportation shall appoint selection committees consisting of 9 members who shall be appointed with the advice and consent of the Senate. Effective immediately.

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1 AN ACT concerning finance.

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

- Section 5. The Architectural, Engineering, and Land Surveying Qualifications Based Selection Act is amended by changing Section 30 as follows:
- 7 (30 ILCS 535/30) (from Ch. 127, par. 4151-30)
- Sec. 30. Evaluation procedure. A State agency shall 8 9 evaluate the firms submitting letters of interest and other prequalified firms, taking into account qualifications; and 10 the State agency may consider, but shall not be limited to 11 considering, ability of professional personnel, past record 12 and experience, performance data on file, willingness to meet 13 14 time requirements, location, workload of the firm and any other qualifications based factors as the State agency may 15 16 determine in writing are applicable. The State agency may conduct discussions with and require public presentations by 17 firms deemed to be the most qualified regarding their 18 19 qualifications, approach to the project and ability to furnish 20 the required services.
- A State agency shall establish a committee to select firms to provide architectural, engineering, and land surveying services. A selection committee may include at least one

public member nominated by a statewide association of the profession affected. The public member may not be employed or associated with any firm holding a contract with the State agency nor may the public member's firm be considered for a contract with that State agency while he or she is serving as a public member of the committee.

In addition, the Department of Transportation may appoint public members to selection committees that represent the geographic, ethnic, and cultural diversity of the population of the State, including persons nominated by associations representing minority and female-owned business associations. Public members shall be licensed in or have received a degree from an accredited college or university in one of the professions affected and shall not be employed by, associated with, or have an ownership interest in any firm holding or seeking to hold a contract while serving as a public member of the committee.

The term of any member of a selection committee created by the Department of Transportation under the provisions of this Section prior to January 1, 2022 shall be terminated on December 31, 2021. Beginning on or after January 1, 2022, the Department of Transportation shall appoint members to serve on selection committees to select firms to provide architectural, engineering, and land surveying services. In addition to the requirements of this Section, the selection committees shall consist of 9 members who shall be appointed with the advice and

1 consent of the Senate.

- In no case shall a State agency, prior to selecting a firm
- 3 for negotiation under Section 40, seek formal or informal
- 4 submission of verbal or written estimates of costs or
- 5 proposals in terms of dollars, hours required, percentage of
- 6 construction cost, or any other measure of compensation.
- 7 (Source: P.A. 96-37, eff. 7-13-09; 96-849, eff. 12-23-09.)
- 8 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
- 9 becoming law.