



103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2023 and 2024

SB0106

Introduced 1/24/2023, by Sen. Doris Turner

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

30 ILCS 500/45-110 new

Amends the Illinois Procurement Code. Provides that in awarding contracts for Abandoned Mined Land Reclamation Projects with a total value of more than \$100,000, preference shall be given to an otherwise qualified bidder who provides proof that at least 2 current employees of the bidder are former coal mine employees and that all such declared former coal mine employees in the bid shall be used in the fulfillment of an awarded Abandoned Mined Land Reclamation Project. Provides that when the Illinois Department of Natural Resources is to award a contract to the lowest responsible bidder, an otherwise qualified bidder who will fulfill the contract through the use of former coal mine employees may be given preference over other bidders unable to do so, if the bid is not more than 2% greater than the low bid.

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1 AN ACT concerning finance.

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

4 Section 5. The Illinois Procurement Code is amended by
5 adding Section 45-110 as follows:

6 (30 ILCS 500/45-110 new)

7 Sec. 45-110. Former coal mining employees.

8 (a) In this Section:

9 "Abandoned Mined Land Reclamation Project" means
10 construction or construction-related professional services
11 that are used for reclamation projects awarded by the
12 Department of Natural Resources under the Abandoned Mined
13 Lands and Water Reclamation Act.

14 "Former coal mine employee" means an individual who was
15 previously employed in any capacity by a coal mining company
16 in which the company engaged in the extraction of coal
17 deposits or was previously employed in any capacity by a
18 coal-fired power plant.

19 (b) In awarding contracts for Abandoned Mined Land
20 Reclamation Projects with a total value of more than \$100,000,
21 preference shall be given to an otherwise qualified bidder who
22 provides proof that at least 2 current employees of the bidder
23 are former coal mine employees and that all such declared

1 former coal mine employees in the bid shall be used in the
2 fulfillment of an awarded Abandoned Mined Land Reclamation
3 Project. If the Illinois Department of Natural Resources is to
4 award a contract to the lowest responsible bidder, an
5 otherwise qualified bidder who will fulfill the contract
6 through the use of former coal mine employees may be given
7 preference over other bidders unable to do so, if the bid is
8 not more than 2% greater than the low bid.

9 (c) This Section does not apply to any contract for any
10 project for which federal funds are available for expenditure
11 when its provisions may be in conflict with federal law or
12 federal regulation.