

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 Architectural, Engineering, and Land
5 Surveying Qualifications Based Selection Act is amended by
6 changing Section 30 as follows:

7 (30 ILCS 535/30) (from Ch. 127, par. 4151-30)

8 Sec. 30. Evaluation procedure. A State agency shall
9 evaluate the firms submitting letters of interest and other
10 prequalified firms, taking into account qualifications; and
11 the State agency may consider, but shall not be limited to
12 considering, ability of professional personnel, past record
13 and experience, performance data on file, willingness to meet
14 time requirements, location, workload of the firm and any other
15 qualifications based factors as the State agency may determine
16 in writing are applicable. The State agency may conduct
17 discussions with and require public presentations by firms
18 deemed to be the most qualified regarding their qualifications,
19 approach to the project and ability to furnish the required
20 services.

21 A State agency shall establish a committee to select firms
22 to provide architectural, engineering, and land surveying
23 services. A selection committee may include at least one public

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

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

18 In no case shall a State agency, prior to selecting a firm
19 for negotiation under Section 40, seek formal or informal
20 submission of verbal or written estimates of costs or proposals
21 in terms of dollars, hours required, percentage of construction
22 cost, or any other measure of compensation.

23 (Source: P.A. 96-37, eff. 7-13-09.)

24 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
25 becoming law.