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1   AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 276

2   AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend Senate Bill 276 by replacing

3   everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4   "Section 5. The Illinois Procurement Code is amended by

5   adding Sections 15-50 and 30-40 as follows:

6   (30 ILCS 500/15-50 new)

7   Sec. 15-50. Mandatory bidder or offeror meeting. A State

8   agency that holds a mandatory bidder or offeror meeting before

9   the due date for bids or offers in a solicitation for services

10   shall hold the bidder or offeror meeting at a location in the

11   area where the services are to be rendered, or, if it is not

12   feasible to hold the bidder or offeror meeting at such a

13   location, then the State agency must make reasonable efforts to

14   allow the use of technology to enable potential bidders or

15   offerors to access and participate in the bidder or offeror

16   meeting without being physically present.

1   A State agency holding a mandatory bidder or offeror

2 meeting must provide notice of the bidder or offeror meeting in

3 the online electric Illinois Procurement Bulletin at least 21

4 days prior to the date of the bidder or offeror meeting.

5 Nothing in this Section shall preclude a State agency from

6 implementing its own pre-qualification, certification,

7 disclosure, and registration requirements necessary to conduct

8 and manage its program operation.

9   (30 ILCS 500/30-40 new)

10   Sec. 30-40. Diversity in construction mentorship program.

11 Within one year of the effective date of this amendatory Act of

12 the 99th General Assembly, the Capital Development Board shall

13 establish, by administrative rule, a 4-year construction

14 diversity mentorship program between the Capital Development

15 Board contractors and minority-owned, female-owned, and

16 veteran-owned contractors and subcontractors. The mentorship

17 program shall be designed to ensure and facilitate increased

18 minority participation in construction contracts.".