



General Assembly

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**Raised Bill No. 5327**

LCO No. 1054

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Referred to Committee on Government Administration and Elections

Introduced by:  
(GAE)

**AN ACT EXPANDING CERTAIN REVERSE AUCTION AUTHORITY TO THE PURCHASE OF CERTAIN SERVICES BY MUNICIPALITIES, SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND STATE AGENCIES.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 4a-60b of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

3 (a) For the purposes of this section:

4 (1) "Reverse auction" means an on-line bidding process in which  
5 qualified bidders or qualified proposers, anonymous to each other,  
6 submit bids or proposals to provide goods, services or supplies  
7 pursuant to an invitation to bid or request for proposals; [and]

8 (2) "Contracting agency" means a state agency with statutory  
9 authority to award contracts for goods, services or supplies, or a  
10 political subdivision of the state or school district; and

11 (3) "Services" means any (A) laundry and cleaning service, (B) pest  
12 control service, (C) janitorial service, (D) security service, (E) rental,

13 repair or maintenance of equipment, machinery or other personal  
14 property owned by the state, a political subdivision of the state or a  
15 school district, (F) advertising, (G) photostating, (H) mimeographing,  
16 or (I) other service arrangements, other than construction or  
17 construction management services, where such services are provided  
18 by persons other than employees of the state, a political subdivision of  
19 the state or a school district.

20 (b) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes,  
21 whenever a contracting agency determines that the use of a reverse  
22 auction is advantageous to the contracting agency and will ensure a  
23 competitive contract award, the contracting agency may use a reverse  
24 auction to award a contract for goods, services or supplies, in  
25 accordance with any applicable requirement of the general statutes  
26 and policies of the contracting agency. The contracting agency may  
27 contract with a third party to prepare and manage any such reverse  
28 auction.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	4a-60b

**Statement of Purpose:**

Te expand the authority of municipalities, school districts and state agencies to use reverse auctions for the purchase of certain services.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*