



General Assembly

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Committee Bill No. 5051

LCO No. 2964



Referred to Committee on GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION
AND ELECTIONS

Introduced by:
(GAE)

***AN ACT EXPANDING MUNICIPAL AND STATE REVERSE AUCTION
AUTHORITY TO INCLUDE THE PURCHASE OF SERVICES.***

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 Section 4a-60b of the general statutes is repealed and the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 July 1, 2013*):

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 services, goods 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 services, goods 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 services, goods 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	July 1, 2013	4a-60b

Statement of Purpose:

To 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.]

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