



General Assembly

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LCO No. 479



Referred to Committee on GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION
AND ELECTIONS

Introduced by:
(GAE)

***AN ACT CONCERNING SOLICITATION OF LEGISLATIVE
CONTRACTS.***

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

1 Section 1. Subsection (b) of section 2-71p of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
3 *1, 2018*):

4 (b) (1) All purchases of, and contracts for, supplies, materials,
5 equipment and contractual services required by the Legislative
6 Department, except purchases made pursuant to subsection (c) of this
7 section and public utility services as provided in subsection (e) of this
8 section, and (2) all sales by said department of such personal property
9 which has become obsolete, unserviceable or unusable, shall be based,
10 when possible, on competitive bids or competitive negotiation,
11 provided in the case of such sales, the Joint Committee on Legislative
12 Management may, in its discretion, sell the property at public auction.
13 The committee shall solicit competitive bids or proposals by sending
14 notices to prospective suppliers and by posting notice on a public

15 bulletin board in a building under the supervision and control of the
16 Joint Committee on Legislative Management. Each bid and proposal
17 shall be kept sealed or secured until opened publicly at the time stated
18 in the notice soliciting such bid. If the amount of the expenditure or
19 sale is estimated to exceed fifty thousand dollars, competitive bids or
20 proposals shall be solicited by public notice, [inserted at least once in
21 not fewer than three daily newspapers published in the state, and at
22 least] posted on the State Contracting Portal, not less than five calendar
23 days before the final date for submitting bids. All purchases or sales of
24 ten thousand dollars or less in amount shall be made in the open
25 market, but shall be based, when possible, on at least three competitive
26 quotations.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2018</i>	2-71p(b)

Statement of Purpose:

To replace the requirement that the Joint Committee on Legislative Management post notice for certain contracts in at least three newspapers with a requirement for notice on the State Contracting Portal.