AN ACT CONCERNING THE COMPETITIVE BIDDING AND OVERSIGHT OF QUASI-PUBLIC AGENCY CONTRACTS.

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

Section 1. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2021) (a) As used in this section:

(1) "Quasi-public agency" has the same meaning as provided in section 1-120 of the general statutes;

(2) "Supplies", "materials" and "equipment" mean any and all articles of personal property furnished to or used by any quasi-public agency;

(3) "Contractual services" means any and all laundry and cleaning service, pest control service, janitorial service, security service, the rental and repair, or maintenance, of equipment, machinery and other state-owned personal property, advertising and other service arrangements where the services are provided by persons other than quasi-public agency employees;

(4) "Competitive bidding" means the submission of prices by persons, firms or corporations competing for a contract to provide supplies,
materials, equipment or contractual services, under a procedure in which the contracting authority does not negotiate prices;

(5) "Competitive negotiation" means a procedure for contracting for supplies, materials, equipment or contractual services, in which (A) proposals are solicited from qualified suppliers by a request for proposals, and (B) changes may be negotiated in proposals and prices after being submitted;

(6) "Bidder" means a person, firm or corporation submitting a competitive bid in response to a solicitation;

(7) "Proposer" means a person, firm or corporation submitting a proposal in response to a request for proposals;

(8) "Lowest responsible qualified bidder" means the bidder whose bid is the lowest of those bidders possessing the skill, ability and integrity necessary to faithful performance of the work based on objective criteria considering past performance and financial responsibility; and

(9) "Highest scoring bidder in a multiple criteria bid" means the bidder whose bid receives the highest score for a combination of attributes, including, but not limited to, price, skill, ability and integrity necessary for the faithful performance of the work, based on multiple criteria considering quality of product, warranty, life-cycle cost, past performance, financial responsibility and other objective criteria that are established in the bid solicitation for the contract.

(b) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, any purchases of, and contracts for, supplies, materials, equipment and contractual services, except purchases and contracts made pursuant to the provisions of subsection (d) of this section and public utility services as provided in subsection (e) of this section shall be based, when possible, on competitive bids or competitive negotiation. The quasi-public agency shall solicit competitive bids or proposals by providing notice of the planned purchase in a form and manner that the quasi-
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public agency determines will maximize public participation in the competitive bidding or competitive negotiation process, including participation by small contractors, as defined in section 4a-60g of the general statutes, and promote competition. Each notice of a planned purchase under this subsection shall indicate the type of goods and services to be purchased and the estimated value of the contract award. The notice shall, when applicable, also contain a notice of quasi-public agency contract requirements concerning nondiscrimination and affirmative action pursuant to section 4a-60 of the general statutes and requirements concerning the awarding of contracts to small contractors, minority business enterprises, individuals with a disability and nonprofit corporations pursuant to section 4a-60g of the general statutes. Each bid and proposal shall be kept sealed or secured until opened publicly at the time stated in the notice soliciting such bid or proposal.

(c) A quasi-public agency may waive the requirement of competitive bidding or competitive negotiation in the case of minor nonrecurring and emergency purchases of ten thousand dollars or less in amount.

(d) Each quasi-public agency shall adopt procedures, in accordance with the provisions of section 1-121 of the general statutes, establishing (1) standards and procedures for using competitive negotiation for purchases and contracts, including, but not limited to, criteria which shall be considered in making purchases by competitive negotiation and the weight which shall be assigned to each such criterion, and (2) standards and procedures under which additional purchases may be made under existing contracts.

(e) The purchase of or contract for the following public utility services shall not be subject to competitive bidding or competitive negotiation: (1) Electric distribution services; (2) water services; (3) gas distribution services; (4) electric generation services if such services are provided by an electric municipal utility other than by a participating electric municipal utility, as defined in section 16-1 of the general statutes, in the
service area of such electric municipal utility; and (5) gas supply services until the date such services are competitive pursuant to legislative act or order of the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority, provided gas supply services shall be exempt from competitive bidding and competitive negotiation after said date if such services are provided by a gas municipal utility in the service area of such gas municipal utility.

(f) All open market orders or contracts shall be awarded to (1) the lowest responsible qualified bidder, the qualities of the articles to be supplied, their conformity with the specifications, their suitability to the requirements of the quasi-public agency and the delivery terms being taken into consideration, (2) the highest scoring bidder in a multiple criteria bid, in accordance with the criteria set forth in the bid solicitation for the contract, or (3) the proposer whose proposal is deemed by the quasi-public agency to be the most advantageous, in accordance with the criteria set forth in the request for proposals, including price and evaluation factors.

(g) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, each quasi-public agency awarding a contract through competitive negotiation shall include price as an explicit factor in the criteria in the request for proposals and for the contract award. In considering past performance of a bidder for the purpose of determining the lowest responsible qualified bidder or the highest scoring bidder in a multiple criteria bid, the quasi-public agency shall evaluate the skill, ability and integrity of the bidder in terms of the bidder's fulfillment of past contract obligations and the bidder's experience or lack of experience in delivering supplies, materials, equipment or contractual services of the size or amount for which bids have been solicited.

Sec. 2. Subdivision (28) of section 4e-1 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2021):

(28) "State contracting agency" means any executive branch agency, board, commission, department, office, institution or council. "State
"contracting agency" does not include the judicial branch, the legislative branch, the offices of the Secretary of the State, the State Comptroller, the Attorney General, the State Treasurer, with respect to their constitutional functions, any state agency with respect to contracts specific to the constitutional and statutory functions of the office of the State Treasurer. For the purposes of section 4e-16, "state contracting agency" includes any constituent unit of the state system of higher education and for the purposes of section 4e-19, "state contracting agency" includes [the State Education Resource Center, established under section 10-4q] any quasi-public agency, as defined in section 1-120;

Sec. 3. Section 4e-7 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2021):

(a) For cause, the State Contracting Standards Board may review, terminate or recommend to a state contracting agency or quasi-public agency the termination of any contract or procurement agreement undertaken by any state contracting agency or quasi-public agency after providing fifteen days' notice to the state contracting agency or quasi-public agency, the applicable contractor, and consulting with the Attorney General. Such termination of a contract or procurement agreement by the board may occur only after (1) the board has consulted with the state contracting agency or quasi-public agency to determine the impact of an immediate termination of the contract, (2) a determination has been made jointly by the board and the state contracting agency or quasi-public agency that an immediate termination of the contract will not create imminent peril to the public health, safety or welfare, (3) a vote of two-thirds of the members of the board present and voting for that purpose, and (4) the board has provided the state contracting agency or quasi-public agency and the contractor with opportunity for a hearing conducted pursuant to the provisions of chapter 54. Such action shall be accompanied by notice to the state contracting agency or quasi-public agency and any other affected party. For the purpose of this section, "for cause" means: (A) A
violation of section 1-84 or 1-86e, as determined by the Citizen's Ethics Advisory Board; (B) wanton or reckless disregard of any state or quasi-public contracting and procurement process by any person substantially involved in such contract, or by any state contracting agency or quasi-public agency; or (C) notification from the Attorney General to the state contracting agency or quasi-public agency that an investigation pursuant to section 4-61dd has concluded that the process by which such contract was awarded was compromised by fraud, collusion or any other criminal violation. Nothing in this section shall be construed to limit the authority of the board as described in section 4e-6.

(b) Following consultation with the state contracting agency or quasi-public agency and upon providing fifteen days' notice and the opportunity for a hearing, the State Contracting Standards Board may restrict or terminate the authority of any state contracting agency or quasi-public agency to enter into any contract or procurement agreement if: (1) The board, upon a vote of two-thirds of the members of the board present and voting for such purpose, determines that such state contracting agency or quasi-public agency failed to comply with statutory contracting and procurement requirements and evidenced a reckless disregard for applicable procedures and policy; and (2) such limitation, restriction or termination of authority is in the state's best interest, provided the board has made arrangements for the exercise of the contracting power of such agency during the period of limitation, restriction or termination. Such limitation, restriction or termination of authority shall remain in effect until such time as the board determines that such state contracting agency or quasi-public agency has implemented corrective measures and demonstrated compliance with statutes and regulations concerning procurement.

(c) Following consultation with the state contracting agency or quasi-public agency, and thereafter upon providing fifteen days' notice and the opportunity for a hearing, the State Contracting Standards Board may order a state contracting agency or quasi-public agency to take appropriate action to restrict or terminate the authority of an employee
or agent to enter into any contract or procurement agreement if the
board, upon a vote of two-thirds of the members of the board present
and voting for such purpose, determines that such employee or agent
failed to comply with statutory contracting and procurement
requirements, and evidenced a reckless disregard for applicable
procedures and policy. Such limitation, restriction or termination of
authority shall remain in effect until such time as the board determines
that such state contracting agency or quasi-public agency has
implemented corrective measures and demonstrated compliance with
statutes and regulations concerning procurement.

Sec. 4. Subdivision (6) of subsection (c) of section 8-169jj of the general
statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof
(Effective October 1, 2021):

(6) To contract for construction, development, concessions and the
procurement of goods and services, and to establish and modify
procurement procedures from time to time in accordance with the
provisions of section 1 of this act and section 8-169kk to implement the
[foregoing] provisions of this section;

Sec. 5. Subsection (c) of section 10-357b of the general statutes is
repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October
1, 2021):

(c) The State Education Resource Center shall be subject to (1) rules,
regulations and restrictions on purchasing, procurement, personal
service agreements and the disposition of assets generally applicable to
Connecticut state agencies, including those contained in titles 4, 4a and
4b and [section 4e-19] the applicable provisions of chapter 62 concerning
quasi-public agencies, and (2) audit by the Auditors of Public Accounts
under section 2-90.

Sec. 6. Section 10a-196 of the general statutes is repealed and the
following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2021):
Sections 10a-176 to 10a-195, inclusive, shall be deemed to provide a complete, additional and alternative method for the doing of the things authorized thereby, and shall be regarded as supplemental and additional to powers conferred by other laws; provided (1) the issuance of bonds and refunding bonds under the provisions of this chapter need not comply with the requirements of any other law applicable to the issuance of bonds including, particularly, title 42a; and provided (2) in the construction and acquisition of a project pursuant hereto the authority need not comply with the requirements of chapter 50; and (3) the authority shall comply with the provisions of section 1 of this act. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this chapter, none of the powers granted to the authority under the provisions of this chapter shall be subject to the supervision or regulation or require the approval or consent of any municipality or political subdivision or any commission, board, body, bureau, official or agency thereof or of the state, except as provided in any provision concerning quasi-public agencies contained in chapter 62.

Sec. 7. Subsection (s) of section 10a-204b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2021):

(s) The provisions of this section shall be deemed to provide a complete, additional and alternative method for the actions and the things authorized thereby and shall be regarded as supplemental and additional to powers granted by other laws; the issuance of bonds, notes or other obligations under the provisions of this section need not comply with the requirements of any law applicable to the issuance of bonds, notes or other obligations. This section, being necessary for the welfare of the state and its inhabitants, shall be liberally construed to affect its purpose. None of the powers granted to the corporation or to any subsidiary created pursuant to subdivision (5) of section 10a-204 under the provisions of this section shall be subject to the supervision or regulation or require the approval or consent of any municipality or political subdivision or any department, division, commission, board,
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body, bureau, official or agency thereof or of the state, and the exercise thereof shall not cause the corporation or any such subsidiary to be construed to be an agency within the scope of chapter 54 or a department, institution or agency of the state, except that the corporation or any such subsidiary shall comply with the applicable provisions of chapter 62 and section 1 of this act.

Sec. 8. Section 10a-243 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2021):

The provisions of this chapter shall be deemed to provide a complete, additional and alternative method for the actions of the things authorized thereby and shall be regarded as supplemental and additional to powers granted by other laws; the issuance of revenue bonds or notes and revenue refunding bonds or notes under the provisions of this chapter need not comply with the requirements of any other law applicable to the issuance of bonds or notes, except that the authority shall comply with the provisions of section 1 of this act. This chapter, being necessary for the welfare of the state and its inhabitants, shall be liberally construed to effect its purpose. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this chapter or the applicable provisions of chapter 62 concerning quasi-public agencies, none of the powers granted to the authority under the provisions of this chapter shall be subject to the supervision or regulation or require the approval or consent of any municipality or political subdivision or any department, division, commission, board, body, bureau, official or agency thereof or of the state. The authority shall not be construed to be an agency within the scope of chapter 54 or a department, institution or agency of the state.

Sec. 9. Subdivision (16) of subsection (b) of section 12-806 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2021):

(16) To invest in, acquire, lease, purchase, own, manage, hold and dispose of real property and lease, convey or deal in or enter into
agreements with respect to such property on any terms necessary or incidental to carrying out the purposes of sections 12-563a and 12-800 to 12-818, inclusive, provided such transactions shall not be subject to approval, review or regulation pursuant to title 4b or any other statute by any state agency, except that real property transactions shall be subject to review by the State Properties Review Board and contracts shall be subject to the requirements of section 1 of this act and the applicable provisions of chapter 62;

Sec. 10. Section 12-815 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2021):

(a) The corporation shall establish and adopt specific policies, rules and procedures on purchasing and contracting. Such policies, rules and procedures or amendments thereto shall be approved by a two-thirds vote of the entire board. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the corporation may enter into management, consulting and other agreements for the provision of goods, services and professional advisors necessary or useful in connection with the operation and management of the lottery (1) pursuant to a process of open or competitive bidding, provided (A) the corporation shall first determine the format, content and scope of any agreement for any procurement of goods or services, the conditions under which bidding will take place and the schedule and stipulations for contract award, and (B) the corporation may select the contractor deemed to have submitted the most favorable bid, considering price and other factors, when, in the judgment of the corporation, such award is in the best interests of the corporation, or (2) if the corporation, in its discretion, determines that, due to the nature of the agreement to be contracted for or procured, open or public bidding is either impracticable or not in the best interests of the corporation, by competitive negotiation, [with such prospective providers as the corporation may determine] as defined in section 1 of this act. The terms and conditions of agreements and the fees or other compensation to be paid to such persons shall be determined by the corporation. The agreements entered into by the corporation in
accordance with the provisions of this section shall not be subject to the approval of any state department, office or agency, except as provided in regulations adopted by the Department of Consumer Protection or any applicable provision of chapter 62. Nothing in this section shall be deemed to restrict the discretion of the corporation to utilize its own staff and workforce for the performance of any of its assigned responsibilities and functions whenever, in the discretion of the corporation, it becomes necessary, convenient or desirable to do so. Copies of all agreements of the corporation shall be maintained by the corporation at its offices as public records, subject to said exemption.

(b) The corporation shall not be subject to rules, regulations or restrictions on purchasing or procurement or the disposition of assets generally applicable to Connecticut state agencies, including those contained in titles 4a and 4b and the corresponding rules and regulations, but shall be subject to the requirements of section 1 of this act and the applicable provisions concerning quasi-public agencies in chapter 62. The board shall adopt rules and procedures on purchasing, procurement and the disposition of assets applicable to the corporation. The adoption of such rules or procedures shall not be subject to chapter 54. Any such rules or procedures shall be a public record, as defined in section 1-200.

Sec. 11. Subdivision (15) of subsection (a) of section 15-31b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2021):

(15) Invest in, acquire, lease, purchase, own, manage, hold and dispose of real property and lease, convey or deal in or enter into agreements with respect to such property on any terms necessary or incidental to carrying out the purposes of sections 15-31a to 15-31i, inclusive, provided such transactions shall not be subject to approval, review or regulation by any state agency pursuant to title 4b or any other provision of the general statutes, except the authority (A) shall not convey fee simple ownership in any property associated with the ports
or harbors under its jurisdiction and control without the approval of the State Properties Review Board and the Attorney General, and (B) shall be subject to the applicable provisions concerning quasi-public agencies in chapter 62; and

Sec. 12. Subdivision (16) of subsection (a) of section 22a-266 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2021):

(16) Contract for services in the performance of architectural and engineering design, the supervision of design and construction, system management and facility management; for such professional or technical services as are specified in subdivision (3) of section 22a-265; and for such other professional or technical services as may require either prequalification of a contractor or the submission by any individual, firm or consortium or association of individuals or firms of a proposal in response to an official request for proposal or similar written communication of the authority that is issued or made pursuant to section 1 of this act and the contracting procedures adopted under section 22a-268a, as amended by this act, whenever such services are, in the discretion of the authority, deemed necessary, desirable or convenient in carrying out the purposes of the authority;

Sec. 13. Subsections (b) and (c) of section 22a-266 of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2021):

(b) Any contracts authorized by this chapter shall be entered into by the authority (1) on the same basis and subject to the same limitations and considerations applicable to municipal and regional resources recovery authorities pursuant to subsection (c) of section 7-273bb, and (2) pursuant to section 1 of this act and the contracting procedures adopted under section 22a-268a, as amended by this act, except that in entering into a contract for a resources recovery facility, solid waste facility, volume reduction plant or solid waste management system, the authority shall consider the best interests of the municipality or region
(c) The authority shall have power, in its discretion, either to purchase on a centralized basis, heavy solid waste processing equipment to be installed in waste management projects, or to require such purchase and installation as part of a construction contract. The authority shall conduct its contracting and purchasing operations in accordance with section 1 of this act and its regularly adopted and promulgated procurement policies, including the contracting procedures adopted under section 22a-268a, as amended by this act, and specific rules and procedures on purchasing and contracting approved by a two-thirds vote of its full board of directors. In procuring services with respect to the establishment, management and operation of transfer stations, and the transportation of solid wastes therefrom to a solid waste facility, the authority and its subcontractors shall insofar as is practicable give preference to firms based in Connecticut. Whenever the authority determines that a contract for facility management shall be awarded on other than a competitive bidding basis, in accordance with applicable provisions of subdivision (16) of subsection (a) of this section, subsection (b) of this section, section 22a-268, as amended by this act, and section 1 of this act, and the contracting procedures adopted under section 22a-268a, as amended by this act, the directors shall, at least sixty days prior to the award date, pass a resolution expressing their intent to award and shall within ten days cause a copy of such resolution to be printed in one daily and one weekly newspaper published within the state. Thereupon, interested parties who so desire may, within thirty days, petition the directors with respect to such contract and offer evidence in extenuation before a referee appointed by the chairperson. Such referee shall not be an employee of the authority and shall report the referee's findings with respect to such petition and evidence to the directors at least ten days prior to the projected award date. The directors shall give due consideration to such findings in determining the final award of the contract.

Sec. 14. Section 22a-268 of the general statutes is repealed and the
following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2021):

The authority shall utilize private industry, by contract, to carry out the business, design, operating, management, marketing, planning and research and development functions of the authority, unless the authority determines that it is in the public interest to adopt another course of action. The authority is hereby empowered to enter into long-term contracts with private persons for the performance of any such functions of the authority which, in the opinion of the authority, can desirably and conveniently be carried out by a private person under contract provided any such contract shall contain such terms and conditions as will enable the authority to retain overall supervision and control of the business, design, operating, management, transportation, marketing, planning and research and development functions to be carried out or to be performed by such private persons pursuant to such contract. Such contracts shall be entered into either on a competitive negotiation or competitive bidding basis, and the authority in its discretion may select the type of contract it deems most prudent to utilize, pursuant to the contracting procedures adopted under section 22a-268a, as amended by this act, and considering the scope of work, the management complexities associated therewith, the extent of current and future technological development requirements and the best interests of the state. Whenever a long-term contract is entered into on other than a competitive bidding basis, the criteria and procedures therefor shall conform to applicable provisions of subdivision (16) of subsection (a) and subsections (b) and (c) of section 22a-266, as amended by this act, provided however, that any contract for a period of over five years in duration, or any contract for which the annual consideration is greater than fifty thousand dollars shall be approved by a two-thirds vote of the authority's full board of directors. The terms and conditions of such contracts shall be determined by the authority, as shall the fees or other similar compensation to be paid to such persons for such contracts. The contracts entered into by the authority shall not be subject to the approval of any other state department, office or agency, other than the State Contracting Standards Board under the applicable
provisions of chapter 62. However, copies of all contracts of the authority shall be maintained by the authority as public records, subject to the proprietary rights of any party to the contract. Nothing of the aforesaid shall be deemed to restrict the discretion of the authority to utilize its own staff and work force for the performance of any of its assigned responsibilities and functions whenever, in the discretion of the authority, it becomes necessary, convenient or desirable to do so. Any litigation with respect to any terms, conditions or provisions of any contract of the authority, or the performance or nonperformance of same by either party, shall be tried before a judge of the Superior Court of Connecticut.

Sec. 15. Section 22a-268a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2021):

The board of directors of the Materials Innovation and Recycling Authority shall adopt written procedures, in accordance with the provisions of section 1-121, for: (1) Adopting an annual budget and plan of operations, including a requirement of board approval before the budget or plan may take effect; (2) hiring, dismissing, promoting and compensating employees of the authority, including an affirmative action policy and a requirement of board approval before a position may be created or a vacancy filled; (3) acquiring real and personal property and personal services, including a requirement of board approval for any such nonbudgeted expenditure in excess of five thousand dollars; (4) contracting for (A) the business, design, operating, management, construction, transportation, marketing, planning and research and development functions of the authority, (B) financial, legal, bond underwriting and other professional services, and (C) supplies, materials and equipment, including (i) notwithstanding any provision of this chapter, standards for determining when contracts described in this subdivision (4) shall be awarded on the basis of competitive bidding or competitive negotiation, an exemption for small purchases, and criteria for waiving competitive bidding or competitive negotiation, provided any such criteria shall comply with the provisions of section 1
of this act, and (ii) a requirement that the authority solicit proposals at least once every three years for each such professional service which it uses; (5) issuing and retiring bonds, bond anticipation notes and other obligations of the authority; (6) awarding loans, grants and other financial assistance, including eligibility criteria, the application process and the role played by the authority's staff and board of directors; and (7) the use of surplus funds to the extent authorized under this chapter or other provisions of the general statutes.

Sec. 16. Subdivision (14) of subsection (b) of section 31-49h of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2021):

(14) Make and enter into any contract or agreement necessary or incidental to the performance of its duties and execution of its powers subject to the provisions of section 1 of this act. The contracts and agreements entered into by the authority shall not be subject to the approval of any other state department, office or agency, other than the State Contracting Standards Board under the applicable provisions of chapter 62, provided copies of all such contracts shall be maintained by the authority as public records, subject to the proprietary rights of any party to such contracts. No contract shall contain any provision in which any contractor derives any direct or indirect economic benefit from denying or otherwise influencing the outcome of any claim for benefits. The standard criteria for the evaluation of proposals relating to claims processing, web site development, database development, marketing and advertising, in the event the authority seeks the services of an outside contractor for such tasks, and for the evaluation of proposals relating to all other contracts in amounts equal to or exceeding two hundred fifty thousand dollars shall include, but need not be limited to: (A) Transparency, (B) cost, (C) efficiency of operations, (D) quality of work related to the contracts issued, (E) user experience, (F) accountability, and (G) a cost-benefit analysis documenting the direct and indirect costs of such contracts, including qualitative and quantitative benefits that will result from the implementation of such
contracts. The establishment of additional standard criteria shall be approved by a two-thirds vote of the board after such criteria have been posted on a public Internet web site maintained by the authority for notice and comment for at least one week prior to such vote.

Sec. 17. Subdivision (13) of subsection (c) of section 38a-1083 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2021):

(13) Make and enter into any contract or agreement necessary or incidental to the performance of its duties and execution of its powers. The contracts entered into by the exchange shall not be subject to the approval of any other state department, office or agency other than the State Contracting Standards Board under the applicable provisions of chapter 62, provided copies of all contracts of the exchange shall be maintained by the exchange as public records, subject to the proprietary rights of any party to the contract;

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

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Statement of Purpose:
To create transparency in the awarding of quasi-public agency contracts by requiring them to be subject to competitive bidding and subject to oversight by the State Contracting Standards Board.

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