

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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This legislation updates the State Procurement Act. It includes the following changes: Requires agencies to provide estimated costs for requested property, new and replacement, at the time of budget submission based on a request for quote (RFQ) or request for information (RFI) for any items costing \$250,000 or more. Requires agencies to submit a complete draft of a request for proposal (RFP) for any requested property costing \$250,000 or more and requiring a competitive bid. Emergency provisions are provided for budget requests that come in after the budget deadline. Clarification of multiple award contracts to two or more bidders. Addition of an intent to solicit to notify potential bidders. Updates to the overall timeline for solicitations and contract awards, including bids involving third parties. Cooling off periods for public employees or elected officials with regards to vendors and state contracts. Disclosure requirement for vendor expenditures.

FISCAL NOTE

These changes will require a proactive approach by the Division of Purchasing to meet the specified timelines. To support the proposed changes, this legislation requires for FTP positions requiring \$483,044 for salary and benefits provided by the General Fund. To account for the timing of budget requests and other implementation concerns, this legislation goes into effect on July 1, 2026. Full funding for all four positions will be requested in the FY27 budget.

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