STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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State agencies and the state legislature benefit from hearing from a wide array of experts. This bill ensures that consultants and experts, whether paid or unpaid, are not precluded from bidding on state projects provided: (1) any work product is publicly available at the time of the letting of the solicitation, (2) that participation in any legislative task force is done in public subject to the State's open meetings laws, (3) that the solicitation is not drawn in such a way as to favor a particular vendor; and (4) the solicitation does not give a particular vendor a quantifiable objective bidding advantage.

FISCAL NOTE

There is no fiscal impact to the State General Fund or to any other funds. This is due to no expenditure of funds to implement this proposed legislation.

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