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"AN ACT CONCERNING PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS AND THE THRESHOLD FOR COMPETITIVE BIDDING, SUBCONTRACTOR PREQUALIFICATION, CONSTRUCTION MANAGER PROJECT **DELIVERY** CONTRACTS. THE **HIRING** CONSULTANTS AND THE PURCHASING OF CERTAIN PROPERTY AND SERVICES."

- 1 Strike lines 51 and 52 and insert the following in lieu thereof:
- 2 "Services that is estimated to cost one million five hundred thousand
- 3 dollars or less, (ii) a"
- In line 69, before "notice" insert "posting" and bracket "posted" 4
- 5 In line 73, strike "more"
- Strike lines 74 and 75 and insert the following in lieu thereof: "one 6
- million five hundred thousand dollars or less. The [Commissioner of 7
- Administrative" 8
- 9 Strike lines 84 to 98, inclusive, and substitute the following in lieu

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10 thereof:

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11 "(5) (A) The Commissioner of Administrative Services may select 12 contractors to be on lists established for the purpose of providing 13 contractor services for the construction, reconstruction, alteration, 14 remodeling, repair or demolition of any public building or other public works project administered by the Department of Administrative 15 16 Services involving an expense to the state of one million five hundred 17 thousand dollars or less. The commissioner shall use the pregualification classifications established pursuant to section 4a-100 18 to determine the specific categories of services that contractors may 19 20 perform after being selected in accordance with this subparagraph and subparagraph (B) of this subdivision and awarded a contract in 21 22 accordance with subparagraph (C) of this subdivision. The 23 commissioner may establish a separate list for projects involving an expense to the state of less than five hundred thousand dollars for the 24 25 purpose of selecting and utilizing the services of small contractors and 26 minority business enterprises, as such terms are defined in section 4a-27 60g.

(B) The commissioner shall invite contractors to submit qualifications for each specific category of services sought by the department by posting notice of such invitation on the State Contracting Portal. The notice shall be in the form determined by the commissioner, and shall set forth the information that a contractor is required to submit to be considered for selection. Upon receipt of the submittal from the contractor, the commissioner shall select, for each specified category, those contractors who (i) are determined to be the most responsible and qualified, as such terms are defined in section 4b-92, to perform the work required under the specified category, (ii) have demonstrated the skill, ability and integrity to fulfill contract obligations considering their past performance, financial responsibility and experience with projects of the size, scope and complexity required by the state under the specified category, and (iii) for projects with a cost exceeding five hundred thousand dollars, have the ability

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43 to obtain the requisite bonding. The commissioner shall establish the

- duration that each list remains in effect, which in no event may exceed
- 45 three years.
- 46 (C) For any public building or public works project involving an
- 47 expense to the state of one million five hundred thousand dollars or
- 48 less, the commissioner shall invite bids from only those contractors
- 49 selected pursuant to subparagraphs (A) and (B) of this subdivision for
- 50 the specific category of services required for the particular project. The
- 51 commissioner shall determine the form of bid invitation, the manner
- 52 of, and time for, submission of bids, and the conditions and
- 53 requirements of such bids. The contract shall be awarded to the lowest
- 54 responsible and qualified bidder, subject to the provisions of sections
- 55 4b-92 and 4b-94. In the event that fewer than three bids are received in
- 56 response to an invitation to bid under this subdivision, or that all the
- 57 bids are in excess of the amount of available funds for the project, the
- 58 commissioner may negotiate a contract with any of the contractors
- 59 <u>submitting a bid, or reject the bids received and rebid the project in</u>
- 60 accordance with section 4b-91, as amended by this act."
- 61 In line 113, strike "another qualified"
- In line 114, strike "preselected contractor" and insert in lieu thereof:
- 163 "the bidder determined in accordance with said subdivision if fewer
- 64 <u>than three bids are received</u>"
- 65 Strike lines 361 and 362 and insert the following lieu thereof:
- defined in section 4b-55, [and] "consultant services" means "consultant"
- 67 services" as defined in section 4b-55, and "program" means multiple
- 68 projects involving the planning, design, construction, repair,
- 69 improvement or expansion of specified buildings, facilities or site
- 70 <u>improvements, wherein the work (A) will be of a repetitive nature, (B)</u>
- 71 <u>will share a common funding source that imposes particular</u>
- 72 requirements, or (C) would be significantly facilitated if completed by
- 73 the same design professional or construction administrator."