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Sponsor(s): Senators Haugen, Horn, Jacobsen, Hale and Winsley

Brief Title: Setting out bid requirements for emergency public works projects.

SB 5524 - DIGEST

(SEE ALSO PROPOSED 1ST SUB)

Authorizes the governing body of a municipality to designate by resolution a person or persons who shall declare that an emergency situation exists for the purpose of waiving competitive bidding requirements and awarding all necessary contracts for public works on behalf of the municipality to address the emergency situation.

Declares that, for emergency purchases of public works of less than fifty thousand dollars, the governing body or its designee shall contact at least three contractors to the extent practicable under the circumstances and provide them with a scope of work.

Provides that, beginning on July 1, 1999, and on July 1st of each succeeding odd-numbered year, the dollar limits specified in this section shall be adjusted as follows: The office of financial management shall calculate such limits by adjusting the previous biennium's limits by the appropriate federal inflationary index reflecting the rate of inflation for the previous biennium.