FINAL BILL REPORT ESB 5356

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Concerning prime contractor bidding submission requirements on public works contracts.

Sponsors: Senators Short, Kuderer and Conway.

Senate Committee on Housing & Local Government House Committee on Capital Budget

Background: Every invitation to bid on a prime contract that is expected to cost \$1,000,000 or more for the construction, alteration, or repair of any public building or public work of the state, or a state agency or municipality, or an institution of higher education, must require each prime contract bidder to submit:

- within one hour after the published bid submittal time, the names of the subcontractors with whom the bidder, if awarded the contract, will subcontract for performance of the work of heating, ventilation, and air conditioning (HVAC), plumbing, and electrical work, or to name itself for the work; or
- within 48 hours after the published bid submittal time, the names of the subcontractors with whom the bidder, if awarded the contract, will subcontract for performance of structural steel installation and rebar installation work.

Summary: Every invitation to bid on a prime contract that is expected to cost \$1,000,000 or more for the construction, alteration, or repair of any public building or public work of the state, or a state agency or municipality, or an institution of higher education, must require each prime contract bidder to submit:

- within one hour after the published bid submittal time, the names of the subcontractors with whom the bidder, if awarded the contract, will subcontract for performance of HVAC, plumbing, and electrical work, or to name itself for the work; and
- within 48 hours after the published bid submittal time, the names of the subcontractors with whom the bidder, if awarded the contract, will subcontract for performance of structural steel installation and rebar installation work.

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Design-build and general contractor/construction manager requests for proposals are exempt.

The Capital Projects Advisory Review Board must submit a report on subcontractor listing policies and practices by November 1, 2022.

Votes on Final Passage:

Senate 49 0

House 98 0

Effective: July 25, 2021