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SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1457

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SCHOOL DISTRICT COMPETITIVE BIDDING THRESHOLD REVISED

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BRIAN EBERSOLE

**Speaker of the
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JOEL PRITCHARD

President of the Senate

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MIKE LOWRY

Governor of the State of Washington

CERTIFICATE

I, Marilyn Showalter, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1457** as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

MARILYN SHOWALTER

Chief Clerk

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**Secretary of State
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By House Committee on Education (originally sponsored by Representatives Peery, Dorn, Brough, Brumsickle, Chappell, Leonard, Jones, Pruitt, Ogden, Basich, Rayburn, Karahalios, G. Cole, Springer, Locke, Eide, Mastin, Cothorn, G. Fisher, Morris and H. Myers)

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1 AN ACT Relating to school district competitive bidding; and
2 amending RCW 28A.335.190.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 28A.335.190 and 1990 c 33 s 362 are each amended to
5 read as follows:

6 (1) When, in the opinion of the board of directors of any school
7 district, the cost of any furniture, supplies, equipment, building,
8 improvements, or repairs, or other work or purchases, except books,
9 will equal or exceed the sum of (~~twenty~~) fifty thousand dollars,
10 complete plans and specifications for such work or purchases shall be
11 prepared and notice by publication given in at least one newspaper of
12 general circulation within the district, once each week for two
13 consecutive weeks, of the intention to receive bids therefor and that
14 specifications and other information may be examined at the office of
15 the board or any other officially designated location: PROVIDED, That
16 the board without giving such notice may make improvements or repairs
17 to the property of the district through the shop and repair department
18 of such district when the total of such improvements or repair does not
19 exceed the sum of (~~seventy-five hundred dollars~~) (a) fifteen thousand

1 dollars, for districts with fifteen thousand five hundred or more full-
2 time equivalent students; or (b) for districts with fewer than fifteen
3 thousand five hundred full-time equivalent students, fifteen thousand
4 dollars if more than one craft or trade is involved with the school
5 district improvement or repair, or ten thousand dollars if a single
6 craft or trade is involved with the school district improvement or
7 repair. The cost of any public work, improvement or repair for the
8 purposes of this section shall be the aggregate of all amounts to be
9 paid for labor, material, and equipment on one continuous or
10 interrelated project where work is to be performed simultaneously or in
11 close sequence. The bids shall be in writing and shall be opened and
12 read in public on the date and in the place named in the notice and
13 after being opened shall be filed for public inspection.

14 (2) Every purchase of furniture, equipment or supplies, except
15 books, the cost of which is estimated to be in excess of (~~seventy-five~~
16 ~~hundred~~) fifteen thousand dollars, shall be on a competitive basis.
17 The board of directors shall establish a procedure for securing
18 telephone and/or written quotations for such purchases. Whenever the
19 estimated cost is from (~~seventy-five hundred~~) fifteen thousand
20 dollars up to (~~twenty~~) fifty thousand dollars, the procedure shall
21 require quotations from at least three different sources to be obtained
22 in writing or by telephone, and recorded for public perusal. Whenever
23 the estimated cost is in excess of (~~twenty~~) fifty thousand dollars,
24 the public bidding process provided in subsection (1) of this section
25 shall be followed.

26 (3) Every building, improvement, repair or other public works
27 project, the cost of which is estimated to be in excess of (~~seventy-~~
28 ~~five hundred dollars~~) ((a) fifteen thousand dollars, for districts with
29 fifteen thousand five hundred or more full-time equivalent students; or
30 (b) for districts with fewer than fifteen thousand five hundred full-
31 time equivalent students, fifteen thousand dollars if more than one
32 craft or trade is involved with the school district improvement or
33 repair, or ten thousand dollars if a single craft or trade is involved
34 with the school district improvement or repair, shall be on a
35 competitive bid process. All such projects estimated to be less than
36 (~~twenty~~) fifty thousand dollars may be awarded to a contractor on the
37 small works roster. The small works roster shall be comprised of all
38 responsible contractors who have requested to be on the list. The
39 board of directors shall establish a procedure for securing telephone

1 and/or written quotations from the contractors on the small works
2 roster to assure establishment of a competitive price and for awarding
3 contracts to the lowest responsible bidder. Such procedure shall
4 require that a good faith effort be made to request quotations from all
5 contractors on the small works roster who have indicated the capability
6 of performing the kind of public works being contracted. Immediately
7 after an award is made, the bid quotations obtained shall be recorded,
8 open to public inspection, and available by telephone inquiry. The
9 small works roster shall be revised at least once each year by
10 publishing notice of such opportunity in at least one newspaper of
11 general circulation in the district. Responsible contractors shall be
12 added to the list at any time they submit a written request. Whenever
13 the estimated cost of a public works project is ((~~twenty~~)) fifty
14 thousand dollars or more, the public bidding process provided in
15 subsection (1) of this section shall be followed.

16 (4) The contract for the work or purchase shall be awarded to the
17 lowest responsible bidder as defined in RCW 43.19.1911 but the board
18 may by resolution reject any and all bids and make further calls for
19 bids in the same manner as the original call. On any work or purchase
20 the board shall provide bidding information to any qualified bidder or
21 the bidder's agent, requesting it in person.

22 (5) In the event of any emergency when the public interest or
23 property of the district would suffer material injury or damage by
24 delay, upon resolution of the board declaring the existence of such an
25 emergency and reciting the facts constituting the same, the board may
26 waive the requirements of this section with reference to any purchase
27 or contract: PROVIDED, That an "emergency", for the purposes of this
28 section, means a condition likely to result in immediate physical
29 injury to persons or to property of the school district in the absence
30 of prompt remedial action.

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