HOUSE BILL 2056

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1 AN ACT Relating to the fairness of public works bidding; and adding 2 new sections to chapter 39.04 RCW.

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

4 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 39.04 RCW 5 to read as follows:

6 When a municipality receives a written protest from a bidder for a 7 public works project which is the subject of competitive bids, the 8 municipality shall not execute a contract for the project with anyone 9 other than the protesting bidder, without first providing at least five 10 days' written notice of the municipality's intent to execute a contract 11 for the project. Intermediate Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays 12 are not counted in determining the minimum five-day notice period.

13NEW SECTION.Sec. 2.A new section is added to chapter 39.04 RCW14to read as follows:

15 A low bidder on a public works project who claims error and fails 16 to enter into a contract is prohibited from bidding on the same project 1 if a second or subsequent call for bids is made for the project.

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