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FRANK CHOPP

Speaker of the House of Representatives

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CERTIFICATE

I, Thomas Hoemann, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SENATE BILL 6075** as passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives on the dates hereon set forth.

THOMAS HOEMANN

Secretary

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1 AN ACT Relating to increasing competitive bid limits for the 2 purchase of materials, equipment, or supplies; and reenacting and 3 amending RCW 36.32.245.

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

5 Sec. 1. RCW 36.32.245 and 1993 c 233 s 1 and 1993 c 198 s 7 are 6 each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

7 (1) No contract for the purchase of materials, equipment, or 8 supplies may be entered into by the county legislative authority or by any elected or appointed officer of the county until after bids have 9 been submitted to the county. Bid specifications shall be in writing 10 and shall be filed with the clerk of the county legislative authority 11 for public inspection. An advertisement shall be published in the 12 13 official newspaper of the county stating the time and place where bids will be opened, the time after which bids will not be received, the 14 15 materials, equipment, supplies, or services to be purchased, and that 16 the specifications may be seen at the office of the clerk of the county legislative authority. The advertisement shall be published at least 17 18 once at least thirteen days prior to the last date upon which bids will 19 be received.

1 (2) The bids shall be in writing and filed with the clerk. The 2 bids shall be opened and read in public at the time and place named in 3 the advertisement. Contracts requiring competitive bidding under this 4 section may be awarded only to the lowest responsible bidder. 5 Immediately after the award is made, the bid quotations shall be 6 recorded and open to public inspection and shall be available by 7 telephone inquiry. Any or all bids may be rejected for good cause.

8 (3) For advertisement and formal sealed bidding to be dispensed 9 with as to purchases between ((two)) <u>five</u> thousand ((five hundred)) and 10 twenty-five thousand dollars, the county legislative authority must use 11 the uniform process to award contracts as provided in RCW 39.04.190. 12 Advertisement and formal sealed bidding may be dispensed with as to 13 purchases of less than ((two)) <u>five</u> thousand ((five hundred)) dollars 14 upon the order of the county legislative authority.

15 (4) This section does not apply to performance-based contracts, as 16 defined in RCW 39.35A.020(((3))) (4), that are negotiated under chapter 17 39.35A RCW; or contracts and purchases for the printing of election 18 ballots, voting machine labels, and all other election material 19 containing the names of candidates and ballot titles.

20 (5) Nothing in this section shall prohibit the legislative 21 authority of any county from allowing for preferential purchase of 22 products made from recycled materials or products that may be recycled 23 or reused.

(6) This section does not apply to contracting for public defenderservices by a county.

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