

SENATE BILL REPORT

SB 5203

As Passed Senate, March 4, 2015

Title: An act relating to job order contracting requirements.

Brief Description: Modifying certain job order contracting requirements.

Sponsors: Senators Warnick, Hasegawa and Keiser; by request of Department of Enterprise Services.

Brief History:

Committee Activity: Ways & Means: 2/02/15, 2/12/15 [DP].

Passed Senate: 3/04/15, 47-0.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS & MEANS

Majority Report: Do pass.

Signed by Senators Hill, Chair; Braun, Vice Chair; Dammeier, Vice Chair; Honeyford, Vice Chair, Capital Budget Chair; Hargrove, Ranking Member; Keiser, Assistant Ranking Member on the Capital Budget; Bailey, Billig, Brown, Conway, Fraser, Hasegawa, Hatfield, Hewitt, Kohl-Welles, O'Ban, Padden, Parlette, Rolfes, Schoesler and Warnick.

Staff: Brian Sims (786-7431)

Background: A job order contract allows public entities to contract for small public works projects to repair and renovate public facilities without all the bidding requirements of most public works projects. The contract is for a fixed period, with an indefinite quantity of work, at negotiated work orders and prices. A determination must be made that the use of job order contracts will benefit the public by providing an effective means of reducing the total lead time and cost for the project. State and local agencies are limited to two job order contracts, except the Department of Enterprise Services is limited to four contracts. The maximum that can be contracted through job order contracts is \$4 million per year, except counties with more than 1 million residents the limit is \$6 million.

Summary of Bill: The Department of Enterprise Services is allowed a maximum of \$6 million per year for job order contracts and may have six job order contracts in place.

Appropriation: None.

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Fiscal Note: Available.

Committee/Commission/Task Force Created: No.

Effective Date: Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.

Staff Summary of Public Testimony: PRO: Current limits on job order contracting prevent the Department of Enterprise Services from completing minor works projects quickly. There is \$70 million worth of minor repairs that are funded in the current biennium. This bill is supported by the Office of Minority and Women Owned Businesses and the Capital Projects Advisory Review Board.

Persons Testifying: PRO: William Frare, Dept. of Enterprise Services.