HOUSE BILL 1158

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to restoring the fair treatment of underserved
- 2 groups in public employment, education, and contracting; amending RCW
- 3 28B.20.744, 39.10.430, 39.10.450, and 49.04.100; and repealing RCW
- 4 49.60.400 and 49.60.401.

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- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 6 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** The following acts or parts of acts are 7 each repealed:
- 8 (1) RCW 49.60.400 (Discrimination, preferential treatment 9 prohibited) and 2013 c 242 s 7 & 1999 c 3 s 1; and
- 10 (2) RCW 49.60.401 (Short title—1999 c 3) and 1999 c 3 s 2.
- 11 **Sec. 2.** RCW 28B.20.744 and 2015 3rd sp.s. c 3 s 7043 are each 12 amended to read as follows:
- 12 amended to read as follows:
 13 (1) This section provides an alternative process for awarding
- 15 alteration, repair, or improvement of university buildings and

construction, building, renovation,

- 16 facilities in which critical patient care or highly specialized
- 17 medical research is located. These provisions may be used, in lieu of
- 18 other procedures to award contracts for such work, when the estimated
- 19 cost of the work is equal to or less than five million dollars and
- 20 the project involves construction, removation, remodeling, or

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alteration of improvements within a building that is used directly for critical patient care or highly specialized medical research.

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- (2) The university may create a single critical patient care or 3 specialized medical research facilities roster or may create multiple 4 critical patient care or specialized medical research facilities 5 6 rosters for different trade specialties or categories of anticipated 7 work. At least once a year, the university shall publish in a newspaper of general circulation a notice of the existence of the 8 roster or rosters and solicit a statement of qualifications from 9 contractors who wish to be on the roster or rosters of prime 10 contractors. In addition, qualified contractors shall be added to the 11 12 roster or rosters at any time they submit a written request, necessary records, and meet the qualifications established by the 13 14 university. The university may require eligible contractors desiring to be placed on a roster to keep current records of any applicable 15 licenses, certifications, registrations, bonding, insurance, or other 16 17 appropriate matters on file with the university as a condition of 18 being placed on a roster or rosters. Placement on a roster shall be on the basis of qualifications. 19
- 20 (3) The public solicitation of qualifications shall include but 21 not be limited to:
 - (a) A description of the types of projects to be completed and where possible may include programmatic, performance, and technical requirements and specifications;
 - (b) The reasons for using the critical patient care and specialized medical research roster process;
 - (c) A description of the qualifications to be required of a contractor, including submission of an accident prevention program;
 - (d) A description of the process the university will use to evaluate qualifications, including evaluation factors and the relative weight of factors;
 - (e) The form of the contract to be awarded;
- 33 (f) A description of the administrative process by which the 34 required qualifications, evaluation process, and project types may be 35 appealed; and
- 36 (g) A description of the administrative process by which 37 decisions of the university may be appealed.
- 38 (4) The university shall establish a committee to evaluate the 39 contractors submitting qualifications. Evaluation criteria for

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selection of the contractor or contractors to be included on a roster shall include, but not be limited to:

(a) Ability of a contractor's professional personnel;

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- (b) A contractor's past performance on similar projects, including but not limited to medical facilities, and involving either negotiated work or other public works contracts;
- 7 (c) The contractor's ability to meet time and budget 8 requirements;
- 9 (d) The contractor's ability to provide preconstruction services, 10 as appropriate;
- 11 (e) The contractor's capacity to successfully complete the 12 project;
 - (f) The contractor's approach to executing projects;
- 14 (g) The contractor's approach to safety and the contractor's safety history; and
- 16 (h) The contractor's record of performance, integrity, judgment, 17 and skills.
 - (5) Contractors meeting the evaluation committee's criteria for selection must be placed on the applicable roster or rosters.
 - (6) When a project is selected for delivery through this roster process, the university must establish a procedure for securing written quotations from all contractors on a roster to assure that a competitive price is established. Invitations for quotations shall include an estimate of the scope and nature of the work to be performed as well as materials and equipment to be furnished. Plans and specifications must be included in the invitation but may not be detailed. Award of a project must be made to the responsible bidder submitting the lowest responsive bid.
 - (7) The university shall make an effort to solicit proposals from certified minority or certified woman-owned contractors ((to-the-extent-permitted-by-the-Washington-state-civil-rights-act, RCW-49.60.400)).
 - (8) Beginning in September 2010 and every other September thereafter, the university shall provide a report to the capital projects advisory review board which must, at a minimum, include a list of rosters used, contracts awarded, and a description of outreach to and participation by women and minority-owned businesses.
- 38 (9) Beginning in September 2015 and every September thereafter, 39 the university shall report to the office of minority and women's 40 business enterprises and to the appropriate legislative fiscal

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- 1 committees the number of qualified women and minority-owned business
- 2 contractors on the roster or rosters and the number of contracts
- 3 awarded to women and minority-owned businesses.

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- 4 **Sec. 3.** RCW 39.10.430 and 2007 c 494 s 402 are each amended to read as follows:
 - (1) Job order contracts shall be awarded through a competitive process using public requests for proposals.
- 8 (2) The public body shall make an effort to solicit proposals 9 from certified minority or certified woman-owned contractors ((to the 10 extent permitted by the Washington state civil rights act, RCW 11 49.60.400)).
 - (3) The public body shall publish, at least once in a statewide publication and legal newspaper of general circulation published in every county in which the public works project is anticipated, a request for proposals for job order contracts and the availability and location of the request for proposal documents. The public body shall ensure that the request for proposal documents at a minimum includes:
 - (a) A detailed description of the scope of the job order contract including performance, technical requirements and specifications, functional and operational elements, minimum and maximum work order amounts, duration of the contract, and options to extend the job order contract;
 - (b) The reasons for using job order contracts;
 - (c) A description of the qualifications required of the proposer;
 - (d) The identity of the specific unit price book to be used;
- 27 (e) The minimum contracted amount committed to the selected job 28 order contractor;
 - (f) A description of the process the public body will use to evaluate qualifications and proposals, including evaluation factors and the relative weight of factors. The public body shall ensure that evaluation factors include, but are not limited to, proposal price and the ability of the proposer to perform the job order contract. In evaluating the ability of the proposer to perform the job order contract, the public body may consider: The ability of the professional personnel who will work on the job order contract; past performance on similar contracts; ability to meet time and budget requirements; ability to provide a performance and payment bond for

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- the job order contract; recent, current, and projected workloads of the proposer; location; and the concept of the proposal;
 - (g) The form of the contract to be awarded;

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- (h) The method for pricing renewals of or extensions to the job order contract;
 - (i) A notice that the proposals are subject to RCW 39.10.470; and
 - (j) Other information relevant to the project.
- (4) A public body shall establish a committee to evaluate the 8 proposals. After the committee has selected the most qualified 9 finalists, the finalists shall submit final proposals, including 10 11 sealed bids based upon the identified unit price book. Such bids may 12 be in the form of coefficient markups from listed price book costs. The public body shall award the contract to the firm submitting the 13 14 highest scored final proposal using the evaluation factors and the relative weight of factors published in the public request for 15 16 proposals and will notify the board of the award of the contract.
 - (5) The public body shall provide a protest period of at least ten business days following the day of the announcement of the apparent successful proposal to allow a protester to file a detailed statement of the grounds of the protest. The public body shall promptly make a determination on the merits of the protest and provide to all proposers a written decision of denial or acceptance of the protest. The public body shall not execute the contract until two business days following the public body's decision on the protest.
- 26 (6) The requirements of RCW 39.30.060 do not apply to requests 27 for proposals for job order contracts.
- 28 **Sec. 4.** RCW 39.10.450 and 2012 c 102 s 2 are each amended to 29 read as follows:
- 30 (1) The maximum dollar amount for a work order is three hundred 31 fifty thousand dollars.
- 32 (2) All work orders issued for the same project shall be treated 33 as a single work order for purposes of the dollar limit on work 34 orders.
- 35 (3) No more than twenty percent of the dollar value of a work 36 order may consist of items of work not contained in the unit price 37 book.
- 38 (4) Any new permanent, enclosed building space constructed under 39 a work order shall not exceed two thousand gross square feet.

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(5) A public body may issue no work orders under a job order contract until it has approved, in consultation with the office of minority and women's business enterprises or the equivalent local agency, a plan prepared by the job order contractor that equitably spreads certified women and minority business enterprise subcontracting opportunities((, to the extent permitted by the Washington state civil rights act, RCW 49.60.400,)) among the various subcontract disciplines.

- 9 (6) For purposes of chapters 39.08, 39.12, 39.76, and 60.28 RCW, 10 each work order issued shall be treated as a separate contract. The 11 alternate filing provisions of RCW 39.12.040(2) apply to each work 12 order that otherwise meets the eligibility requirements of RCW 39.12.040(2).
- 14 (7) The job order contract shall not be used for the procurement 15 of architectural or engineering services not associated with specific 16 work orders. Architectural and engineering services shall be procured 17 in accordance with RCW 39.80.040.
- **Sec. 5.** RCW 49.04.100 and 2001 c 204 s 7 are each amended to 19 read as follows:

As provided by the rules adopted by the apprenticeship council, apprenticeship programs entered into under authority of this chapter with five or more apprentices shall conform with 29 C.F.R. Part 30 to the extent required by federal law ((while advancing the nondiscriminatory principles of the Washington state civil rights act, RCW 49.60.400)).

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