

97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2011 and 2012 HB4683

Introduced 2/3/2012, by Rep. Esther Golar

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

30 ILCS 500/45-35

Amends the Illinois Procurement Code. Provides that a not-for-profit agency for the severely handicapped that is an accredited vocational program that provides transition services to youth between the ages of 14 1/2 and 22 in accordance with individualized education plans qualifies to provide supplies and services to the State without the State advertising or calling for bids. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

1 AN ACT concerning finance.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- Section 5. The Illinois Procurement Code is amended by changing Section 45-35 as follows:
- 6 (30 ILCS 500/45-35)
- 7 Sec. 45-35. Facilities for persons with severe 8 disabilities.
- 9 (a) Qualification. Supplies and services may be procured 10 without advertising or calling for bids from any qualified 11 not-for-profit agency for persons with severe disabilities 12 that:
- 13 (1) complies with Illinois laws governing private 14 not-for-profit organizations;
- 15 (2) is certified as a sheltered workshop by the Wage
 16 and Hour Division of the United States Department of Labor
 17 or is an accredited vocational program that provides
 18 transition services to youth between the ages of 14 1/2 and
 19 22 in accordance with individualized education plans under
 20 Section 14-8.03 of the School Code; and
- 21 (3) meets the applicable Illinois Department of Human 22 Services just standards.
- 23 (b) Participation. To participate, the not-for-profit

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- agency must have indicated an interest in providing the supplies and services, must meet the specifications and needs of the using agency, and must set a fair market price.
 - (c) Committee. There is created within the Department of Central Management Services a committee to facilitate the purchase of products and services of persons so severely disabled by a physical, developmental, or mental disability or a combination of any of those disabilities that they cannot engage in normal competitive employment. This committee is called the State Use Committee. The committee shall consist of the Director of the Department of Central Management Services or his or her designee, the Director of the Department of Human Services or his or her designee, one public member representing private business who is knowledgeable of the employment needs and concerns of persons with developmental disabilities, one public member representing private business who knowledgeable of the needs and concerns of rehabilitation facilities, one public member who is knowledgeable of the employment needs and concerns of persons with developmental disabilities, one public member who is knowledgeable of the needs and concerns of rehabilitation facilities, and 2 public members from statewide association that а represents community-based rehabilitation facilities, all appointed by the Governor. The public members shall serve 2 year terms, commencing upon appointment and every 2 years thereafter. A public member may be reappointed, and vacancies shall be filled

by appointment for the completion of the term. In the event there is a vacancy on the Committee, the Governor must make an appointment to fill that vacancy within 30 calendar days after the notice of vacancy. The members shall serve without compensation but shall be reimbursed for expenses at a rate equal to that of State employees on a per diem basis by the Department of Central Management Services. All members shall be entitled to vote on issues before the committee.

The committee shall have the following powers and duties:

- (1) To request from any State agency information as to product specification and service requirements in order to carry out its purpose.
- (2) To meet quarterly or more often as necessary to carry out its purposes.
- (3) To request a quarterly report from each participating qualified not-for-profit agency for persons with severe disabilities describing the volume of sales for each product or service sold under this Section.
 - (4) To prepare a report for the Governor annually.
- (5) To prepare a publication that lists all supplies and services currently available from any qualified not-for-profit agency for persons with severe disabilities. This list and any revisions shall be distributed to all purchasing agencies.
- (6) To encourage diversity in supplies and services provided by qualified not-for-profit agencies for persons

with severe disabilities and discourage unnecessary duplication or competition among facilities.

- (7) To develop guidelines to be followed by qualifying agencies for participation under the provisions of this Section. The guidelines shall be developed within 6 months after the effective date of this Code and made available on a nondiscriminatory basis to all qualifying agencies.
- (8) To review all bids submitted under the provisions of this Section and reject any bid for any purchase that is determined to be substantially more than the purchase would have cost had it been competitively bid.
- (9) To develop a 5-year plan for increasing the number of products and services purchased from qualified not-for-profit agencies for persons with severe disabilities, including the feasibility of developing mandatory set-aside contracts. This 5-year plan must be developed no later than 180 calendar days after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 96th General Assembly.
- (c-5) Conditions for Use. Each chief procurement officer shall, in consultation with the State Use Committee, determine which articles, materials, services, food stuffs, and supplies that are produced, manufactured, or provided by persons with severe disabilities in qualified not-for-profit agencies shall be given preference by purchasing agencies procuring those items.

- 1 (d) Former committee. The committee created under
- 2 subsection (c) shall replace the committee created under
- Section 7-2 of the Illinois Purchasing Act, which shall 3
- continue to operate until the appointments under subsection (c)
- 5 are made.
- (Source: P.A. 96-634, eff. 8-24-09.) 6
- Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon 7
- becoming law. 8