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 adding Sections 15-50 and 30-40 as follows:

(30 ILCS 500/15-50 new)

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Sec. 15-50. Mandatory bidder or offeror meeting. A State agency that holds a mandatory bidder or offeror meeting before the due date for bids or offers in a solicitation for services shall hold the bidder or offeror meeting at a location in the area where the services are to be rendered, or, if it is not feasible to hold the bidder or offeror meeting at such a location, then the State agency must make reasonable efforts to allow the use of technology to enable potential bidders or offerors to access and participate in the bidder or offeror meeting without being physically present.

A State agency holding a mandatory bidder or offeror meeting must provide notice of the bidder or offeror meeting in the online electronic Illinois Procurement Bulletin at least 21 days prior to the date of the bidder or offeror meeting.

Nothing in this Section shall preclude a State agency from implementing its own pre-qualification, certification, disclosure, and registration requirements necessary to conduct

## and manage its program operation. 1

2 (30 ILCS 500/30-40 new)

3 Sec. 30-40. Diversity in construction mentorship program. 4 Within one year of the effective date of this amendatory Act of 5 the 99th General Assembly, the Capital Development Board shall establish, by administrative rule, a 4-year construction 6 7 diversity mentorship program between the Capital Development 8 Board contractors and minority-owned, female-owned, and 9 veteran-owned contractors and subcontractors. The mentorship 10 program shall be designed to ensure and facilitate increased 11 minority participation in construction contracts.