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## 91ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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## AN ACT

To repeal section 227.100, RSMo, relating to construction bids, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to the same subject.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 227.100, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 227.100, to read as follows:

227.100. 1. All contracts for the construction of said work shall be let to the lowest responsible bidder or bidders after notice and publication of an advertisement in a newspaper published in the county where the work is to be done, and in such other publications as the commission may determine[; provided, that in all cases where the project advertised shall be for the construction of more than ten miles of road, such advertisement shall provide for bids on sections of said road not to exceed ten miles, as well as on the project as a whole, and such contract shall then be let so as to provide for the most economical construction of said project].

- 2. Each bid shall be accompanied by a certified check or a cashier's check or a bid bond, guaranteed by a surety company authorized by the director of the department of insurance to conduct surety business in the state of Missouri, equal to five percent of the bid, which certified check, cashier's check, or bid bond shall be deposited with the commissioner as a guaranty and forfeited to the state treasurer to the credit of the state road fund in the event the successful bidder fails to comply with the terms of the proposal, and return to the successful bidder on execution and delivery of the performance bond provided for in subsection 4. The checks of the unsuccessful bidders shall be returned to them in accordance with the terms of the proposal.
  - 3. All notices of the letting of contracts under this section shall state the time and place

EXPLANATION--Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

when and where bids will be received and opened, and all bids shall be sealed and opened only at the time and place mentioned in such notice and in the presence of some member of the commission or some person named by the commission for such purpose.

4. The successful bidders for the construction of said work shall enter into contracts furnished and prescribed by the commission and shall give good and sufficient bond, in a sum equal to the contract price, to the state of Missouri, with sureties approved by the commission and to ensure the proper and prompt completion of said work in accordance with the provisions of said contracts, and plans and specifications; provided, that if, in the opinion of the majority of the members of the commission, the lowest bid or bids for the construction of any of the roads, or parts of roads, herein authorized to be constructed, shall be excessive, then, and in that event, said commission shall have the right, and it is hereby empowered and authorized to reject any or all bids, and to construct, under its own direction and supervision, all of such roads and bridges, or any part thereof.

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