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92ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

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AN ACT

To amend chapter 8, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to project plans and specifications of state facilities.

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

Section A. Chapter 8, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 8.327, to read as follows:

8.327. 1. The state of Missouri or any political subdivision thereof, or any institution supported in whole or in part by public funds, shall encourage the distribution of plans and specifications for the construction, remodel, or repair of their facilities to all plan rooms and electronic plan rooms in order to encourage open competition, diversity, and the lowest responsible bids for such projects.

2. No public body, board, commission, officer, official, member, agent, or representative authorized to contract for construction, alteration, or repair projects, or for such projects performed for any institution supported in whole or in part by public funds, shall enter into any contract, agreement, or understanding that would restrain trade or restrict the sources or availability of plans and specifications, or limit the distribution of plans and specifications to contractors, subcontractors, and suppliers to a single or limited number of reprographic firms, plan rooms, or electronic plan rooms, unless access to the plans and specifications for the project is expressly limited by law or is otherwise restricted by a duly-appointed authority of the state of Missouri, or any political subdivision, or any institution supported in whole or in part by public funds because it has been determined that the nature of the project is such that unrestricted access would give rise to legitimate concerns for the health, safety, and security of the public.

3. Any clause or provision in an existing contract, agreement, or understanding entered into by any public body or any institution supported in whole or in part by public funds that would restrict the distribution of plans and

specifications to a single or limited number of reprographic firms, plan rooms, or electronic plan rooms sources shall not be renewed.

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