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ADRIANE D. CROUSE, Secretary.

AN ACT

To repeal section 177.086, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to competitive bidding for school districts.

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

Section A. Section 177.086, RSMo, is repealed and one new section 2 enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 177.086, to read as follows:

177.086. 1. Any school district authorizing the construction of facilities

- 2 which may exceed an expenditure of fifteen thousand dollars shall publicly
- 3 advertise, once a week for two consecutive weeks, in a newspaper of general
- 4 circulation, qualified pursuant to chapter 493, located within the city in which the
- 5 school district is located, or if there be no such newspaper, in a qualified
- 6 newspaper of general circulation in the county, or if there be no such newspaper,
- 7 in a qualified newspaper of general circulation in an adjoining county, and may
- 8 advertise in business, trade, or minority newspapers, for bids on said
- 9 construction.
- 10 2. No bids shall be entertained by the school district which are not made
- 11 in accordance with the specifications furnished by the district and all contracts
- 12 shall be let to the lowest responsible bidder complying with the terms of the
- 13 letting, provided that the district shall have the right to reject any and all bids.
- 3. All bids must be submitted sealed and in writing, to be opened publicly at time and place of the district's choosing.
- 4. (1) In any request for proposal put forth by a school district
- 17 pursuant to this section or any other section requiring competitive
- 18 bidding, the product sought may be specified, provided that the request
- 19 for proposal shall not include any pre-bid specifications requiring the
- 20 use of any one proprietary product or products or further requiring

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21 action by an architect, an engineering consultant hired as an 22 independent contractor, school district employees, or the board of 23 education of such school district, to establish that the product or 24 products to be used in any one or more bids is the equivalent of any 25 such proprietary product or products.

(2) Any school district accepting proposals under this section or any other section requiring competitive bidding shall accept bids from at least three vendors who supply substantially similar products at substantially similar cost.

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