

1 SB102  
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3 By Senators Orr and Holtzclaw  
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8 SYNOPSIS: Under current law, the State Purchasing  
9 Division of the Department of Finance is not  
10 required to maintain a statewide database of each  
11 request for a bid or proposal for a public contract  
12 by the State of Alabama, a political subdivision,  
13 an agency, board, commission, or department of the  
14 state, the State Board of Education, a public  
15 college or trade school, or a public university.

16 This bill would require the State Purchasing  
17 Division of the Department of Finance to maintain a  
18 statewide database for each request for a bid or  
19 proposal by the State of Alabama, a political  
20 subdivision, an agency, board, commission, or  
21 department of the state, the State Board of  
22 Education, a public college or trade school, or a  
23 public university for public contracts.

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25 A BILL  
26 TO BE ENTITLED  
27 AN ACT

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2           To require the State Purchasing Division of the  
3 Department of Finance to maintain a statewide database of each  
4 request for a bid or proposal for a public contract by the  
5 State of Alabama, a political subdivision, an agency, board,  
6 commission, or department of the state, the State Board of  
7 Education, a public college or trade school, or a public  
8 university.

9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

10           Section 1. (a) The State Purchasing Division of the  
11 Department of Finance shall establish and maintain and post on  
12 the Internet a statewide database of each request for a bid or  
13 proposal for a public contract by the State of Alabama, a  
14 political subdivision, an agency, board, commission, or  
15 department of the state, the State Board of Education, a  
16 public college or trade school, or a public university.

17           (b) The database shall be a public record and may be  
18 viewed by any citizen, either in person or via the Internet.  
19 The department shall make its database accessible through the  
20 Internet.

21           (c) Each request for a bid or proposal shall remain  
22 available on the website until the last posting date required  
23 by law has expired.

24           (d) There shall not be a charge for access to the  
25 database.

1                   Section 2. This act shall become effective on the  
2 first day of the third month following its passage and  
3 approval by the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.