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Referred to Committee on GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS

Introduced by: (GAE)

AN ACT CONCERNING REQUIREMENTS FOR CONSTRUCTION MANAGERS THAT SELF-PERFORM PORTIONS OF SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section 1. Subsection (b) of section 10-287 of the 2020 supplement to
the general statutes, as amended by section 6 of public act 19-1 of the
July special session, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
thereof (*Effective July 1, 2020*):

5 (b) (1) All orders and contracts for school building construction 6 receiving state assistance under this chapter, except as provided in 7 subdivisions (2) to (4), inclusive, of this subsection, shall be awarded to 8 the lowest responsible qualified bidder only after a public invitation to 9 bid, which shall be advertised in a newspaper having circulation in the 10 town in which construction is to take place, except for (A) school 11 building projects for which the town or regional school district is using 12 a state contract pursuant to subsection (d) of section 10-292, and (B) 13 change orders, those contracts or orders costing less than ten thousand 14 dollars and those of an emergency nature, as determined by the

Commissioner of Administrative Services, in which cases the contractor
or vendor may be selected by negotiation, provided no local fiscal
regulations, ordinances or charter provisions conflict.

18 (2) All orders and contracts for architectural services shall be 19 awarded from a pool of not more than the four most responsible 20 qualified proposers after a public selection process. Such process shall, 21 at a minimum, involve requests for qualifications, followed by requests 22 for proposals, including fees, from the proposers meeting the 23 qualifications criteria of the request for qualifications process. Public 24 advertisements shall be required in a newspaper having circulation in 25 the town in which construction is to take place, except for school 26 building projects for which the town or regional school district is using 27 a state contract pursuant to subsection (d) of section 10-292. Following 28 the qualification process, the awarding authority shall evaluate the 29 proposals to determine the four most responsible qualified proposers 30 using those criteria previously listed in the requests for qualifications 31 and requests for proposals for selecting architectural services specific to 32 the project or school district. Such evaluation criteria shall include due 33 consideration of the proposer's pricing for the project, experience with 34 work of similar size and scope as required for the order or contract, 35 organizational and team structure, including any subcontractors to be utilized by the proposer, for the order or contract, past performance 36 37 data, including, but not limited to, adherence to project schedules and 38 project budgets and the number of change orders for projects, the 39 approach to the work required for the order or contract and documented 40 contract oversight capabilities, and may include criteria specific to the 41 project. Final selection by the awarding authority is limited to the pool 42 of the four most responsible qualified proposers and shall include 43 consideration of all criteria included within the request for proposals. 44 As used in this subdivision, "most responsible qualified proposer" 45 means the proposer who is qualified by the awarding authority when 46 considering price and the factors necessary for faithful performance of 47 the work based on the criteria and scope of work included in the request 48 for proposals.

49 (3) (A) All orders and contracts for construction management services 50 shall be awarded from a pool of not more than the four most responsible 51 qualified proposers after a public selection process. Such process shall, 52 at a minimum, involve requests for qualifications, followed by requests 53 for proposals, including fees, from the proposers meeting the 54 qualifications criteria of the request for qualifications process. Public 55 advertisements shall be required in a newspaper having circulation in 56 the town in which construction is to take place, except for school 57 building projects for which the town or regional school district is using 58 a state contract pursuant to subsection (d) of section 10-292. Following 59 the qualification process, the awarding authority shall evaluate the 60 proposals to determine the four most responsible qualified proposers 61 using those criteria previously listed in the requests for qualifications 62 and requests for proposals for selecting construction management 63 services specific to the project or school district. Such evaluation criteria 64 shall include due consideration of the proposer's pricing for the project, 65 experience with work of similar size and scope as required for the order 66 or contract, organizational and team structure for the order or contract, 67 past performance data, including, but not limited to, adherence to 68 project schedules and project budgets and the number of change orders 69 for projects, the approach to the work required for the order or contract, 70 including whether the proposer intends to self-perform any project element and the benefit to the awarding authority that will result from 71 72 such self-performance, and documented contract oversight capabilities, 73 and may include criteria specific to the project. Final selection by the 74 awarding authority is limited to the pool of the four most responsible 75 qualified proposers and shall include consideration of all criteria 76 included within the request for proposals. As used in this subdivision, 77 "most responsible qualified proposer" means the proposer who is 78 qualified by the awarding authority when considering price and the 79 factors necessary for faithful performance of the work based on the 80 criteria and scope of work included in the request for proposals.

81 (B) Upon the written approval of the Commissioner of 82 Administrative Services, an awarding authority may permit a

construction manager to self-perform a portion of the construction work 83 84 if the awarding authority and the commissioner determine that the 85 construction manager can self-perform the work more cost-effectively than a subcontractor [. All work not performed by the construction 86 manager shall be performed by trade subcontractors selected by a 87 process approved by the awarding authority and the commissioner.] 88 89 and if the construction manager identifies the project element at the time of the original proposal or bid to the awarding authority. Each bid, 90 91 including the bid of the construction manager when submitting a bid 92 for any element of the work, shall be kept sealed until opened publicly 93 at the time and place as set forth in the invitation to bid. The construction 94 manager may only self-perform portions of the project for which the 95 construction manager is enrolled in a state-registered apprenticeship 96 program that provides related instruction for the type of work the 97 construction manager is self-performing and for which the construction manager is pregualified under section 4a-100. The construction 98 99 manager's contract shall include a guaranteed maximum price for the 100 cost of construction. Such guaranteed maximum price shall be 101 determined not later than ninety days after the selection of the trade 102 subcontractors. The construction manager shall award any related contracts for project elements to the responsible qualified contractor 103 104 submitting the lowest bid in compliance with the bid requirements of 105 this section. Construction shall not begin prior to the determination of 106 the guaranteed maximum price, except [work relating to site demolition may commence 107 such preparation and prior to determination.] for project elements of site preparation and demolition 108 that have been previously put out to bid and awarded. If the 109 110 construction manager is the successful bidder for the project element for 111 which he or she is bidding, the construction manager shall (1) be 112 prohibited from using any of the project contingency funds to assist in 113 the performance of such project element, (2) perform the work with employees on the payroll of the construction manager, excluding 114 115 limited portions which are typically subcontracted, and (3) submit all change orders on self-performed work to be reviewed by the awarding 116 117 authority or awarding authority's representative.

118 (4) All orders and contracts for any other consultant services, 119 including, but not limited to, consultant services rendered by an owner's 120 representatives, construction administrators, program managers, 121 environmental professionals, planners and financial specialists, shall 122 comply with the public selection process described in subdivision (2) of 123 this subsection. No costs associated with an order or contract for such 124 consultant services shall be eligible for state financial assistance under 125 this chapter unless such order or contract receives prior approval from 126 the Commissioner of Administrative Services.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	July 1, 2020	10-287(b)

Statement of Purpose:

To impose additional requirements on construction managers selfperforming school construction contracts.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]