

**Sixty-sixth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota
In Regular Session Commencing Thursday, January 3, 2019**

HOUSE BILL NO. 1136
(Representatives Keiser, Bosch, Lefor)
(Senators Burckhard, Klein, Vedaa)

AN ACT to amend and reenact section 48-01.2-06 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to bid requirements for public improvements.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Section 48-01.2-06 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

48-01.2-06. Bid requirements for public improvements.

1. Multiple prime bids for the general, electrical, and mechanical portions of a project are required when any individual general, electrical, or mechanical contract or any combination of individual contracts is in excess of the threshold established under section 48-01.2-02.1. If a general, mechanical, or electrical contract is estimated to be less than twenty-five percent of the threshold, the contract may be included in one of the other prime contracts. A governing body may allow submission of a single prime bid for the complete project or bids for other specialized portions of the project. A governing body may not accept the single prime bid unless that bid is lower than the combined total of the lowest responsible multiple bids for the project.
2. If a bid for the general, electrical, or mechanical portions of a project is not received, a governing body may ~~negotiate~~:
 - a. Negotiate a contract amendment, up to an additional one hundred fifty thousand dollars, with the general, electrical, or mechanical contractor whose contract would represent the largest portion of the project cost for providing the portion of the project for which a bid was not received without rebidding all or part of the project; or
 - b. Award a contract for each portion of a project that received responsible bids pursuant to section 48-01.2-07 and readvertise for bids on the portion of the project that did not receive bids.

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

Secretary of the Senate

This certifies that the within bill originated in the House of Representatives of the Sixty-sixth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as House Bill No. 1136.

House Vote: Yeas 91 Nays 0 Absent 3

Senate Vote: Yeas 42 Nays 0 Absent 5

Chief Clerk of the House

Received by the Governor at _____ M. on _____, 2019.

Approved at _____ M. on _____, 2019.

Governor

Filed in this office this _____ day of _____, 2019,

at _____ o'clock _____ M.

Secretary of State