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Amendment Form

Subtitle of House Bill No. 1843

TO PROMOTE FAIRNESS IN THE BIDDING PRACTICES FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF PUBLICLY FUNDED PROJECTS; AND TO REQUIRE JUSTIFICATION OF AWARDING A PUBLICLY FUNDED PROJECT TO A BIDDER OTHER THAN THE LOW BIDDER.

Amendment No. 1 to House Bill No. 1843

Amend House Bill No. 1843 as originally introduced:

Delete everything after the enacting clause and substitute the following:

"SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 19-11-804, concerning the selection of a bidder on a contract, is amended to add an additional subsection to read as follows:

(c)(1) If a contract under this chapter is awarded to a qualified bidder that is not the lowest bidder on a contract, the Office of State Procurement shall provide to the lowest bidder on a contract the justification for not awarding the contract to the lowest bidder on the contract.

(2) The justification required under subdivision (c)(1) of this section shall:

(A) Provide details of possible issues or concerns with the lowest bidder's bid on a contract; and

(B) Explain to the bidder the process to respond to any concerns contained in their bid.

(3) A final decision detailing why the bid was not awarded to the lowest bidder on the contract."



The Amendment was read
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