

Hundredth Legislature - First Session - 2007 Introducer's Statement of Intent LB 636

Chairperson: LeRoy Louden
Committee: Natural Resources
Date of Hearing: February 7, 2007

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

The purpose of this bill is to add minor exceptions to the current sealed bidding requirements in an attempt to give public power districts additional options for acquiring equipment and supplemental labor in a cost-effective and timely manner. Similar to other statutory exceptions to the sealed bid requirements, the decision would require a two-thirds approval of the board of directors and require advertisements so others interested in providing the equipment or services have an opportunity to contact the public power district to express interest in the business.

The bill also requires the district to obtain estimates of the cost to be made by a competent engineer or engineers before the district enters into a contract for certain, specified items.

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