



State of Wisconsin
2023 - 2024 LEGISLATURE

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2023 SENATE BILL 637

November 7, 2023 - Introduced by Senators HESSELBEIN, L. JOHNSON, AGARD, CARPENTER, LARSON, PFAFF, ROYS, SMITH, SPREITZER, TAYLOR and WIRCH, cosponsored by Representatives SHANKLAND, SINICKI, OHNSTAD, C. ANDERSON, J. ANDERSON, BARE, CABRERA, CLANCY, CONLEY, CONSIDINE, DOYLE, DRAKE, EMERSON, GOYKE, HAYWOOD, HONG, JACOBSON, JOERS, MADISON, MOORE OMOKUNDE, ORTIZ-VELEZ, PALMERI, RATCLIFF, SHELTON, SNODGRASS, STUBBS, SUBECK and VINING. Referred to Committee on Government Operations.

1 **AN ACT to repeal** 16.75 (1p), 16.855 (1p), 66.0901 (1) (ae), 66.0901 (1) (am),
2 66.0901 (6m) and 66.0901 (6s); and **to amend** 66.0901 (6) of the statutes;
3 **relating to:** project labor agreements and public contracts.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, the state and local units of government are prohibited from engaging in certain practices in letting bids for state procurement or public works contracts. Among these prohibitions, as established by 2017 Wisconsin Act 3, the state and local governments may not do any of the following in specifications for bids for the contracts: 1) require that a bidder enter into an agreement with a labor organization; 2) consider, when awarding a contract, whether a bidder has or has not entered into an agreement with a labor organization; or 3) require that a bidder enter into an agreement that requires that the bidder or bidder's employees become or remain members of a labor organization or pay any dues or fees to a labor organization. This bill repeals these bidding specification restrictions.

For further information see the state and local fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

4 **SECTION 1.** 16.75 (1p) of the statutes is repealed.

