



## WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACT MEMO

**2009 Wisconsin Act 136**  
[2009 Assembly Bill 2]

**State Contractual Services**

Under current law, state executive branch agencies may contract for services that can be performed more economically or efficiently by contract than by state employees. With numerous exceptions, any services must be obtained from the lowest responsible bidder or the person submitting the most advantageous competitive sealed proposal. Services may be obtained from domestic or foreign sources.

2009 Wisconsin 136 requires all contractual services purchased by state executive branch agencies to be performed within the United States. The requirement does not apply under any of the following circumstances:

- The contractual services are not available to be performed within the United States.
- Payment for any part of the contractual services is made with federal funds.
- The services are performed under the renewal, modification, or extension of a contract in effect on March 18, 2010.
- The contractual services are purchased by the University of Wisconsin System from gifts, grants, or endowment trust fund income.

The provisions of the Act first apply with respect to bids or competitive sealed proposals for contractual services solicited on March 18, 2010.

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This memo provides a brief description of the Act. For more detailed information, consult the text of the law and related legislative documents at the Legislature's Web site at: <http://www.legis.state.wi.us/>.