



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2019 Assembly Bill 275

Assembly Amendment 1

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2019 ASSEMBLY BILL 275

2019 Assembly Bill 275 addresses “design-build” highway project designs. A design-build project is one in which a single contractor provides architectural, surveying, engineering, construction, and related services, and for which the contract is awarded on the basis of either low bid or best value. Specifically, the bill requires the Department of Transportation (DOT) to maintain an inventory of not fewer than 50 designs that could be awarded as design-build projects. It also requires that the DOT complete at least 30 percent of the design work on each such design.

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Assembly Amendment 1 reduces the required inventory of design-build projects from not fewer than 50 to not fewer than five. It also replaces the requirement that DOT complete at least 30 percent of the design work on each design with a requirement that each design be “sufficiently developed” by DOT for purposes of being awarded as a design-build project. It further requires DOT to ensure that any environmental assessment or environmental impact statement required by federal or state law be completed before placing a design in the inventory.

BILL HISTORY

Representative Sanfelippo introduced Assembly Amendment 1 on June 20, 2019. On that same day, the Assembly adopted the amendment on a voice vote, and passed the bill, as amended, on a vote of Ayes, 61; Noes 35.

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