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2013 SENATE BILL 621

February 20, 2014 – Introduced by Senators HARRIS, L. TAYLOR and LEHMAN, cosponsored by Representatives JOHNSON, SARGENT, BARNES, YOUNG, BERCEAU, C. TAYLOR, MILROY, WACHS, PASCH, GOYKE, ZAMARRIPA, HULSEY and HINTZ. Referred to Committee on Government Operations, Public Works, and Telecommunications.

AN ACT ***to amend*** 16.75 (3m) (b) 1., 16.855 (10m) (am) 1., 16.87 (2) (b) and 23.41 (6) of the statutes; **relating to:** preferences for minority–owned businesses in state procurement.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Currently, minority–owned businesses that are certified by the Department of Administration receive certain preferences in governmental procurement. State agencies must attempt to ensure that 5 percent of the total amount expended for state procurements in each fiscal year is paid to minority–owned businesses. This bill increases the percentage to 7 percent of the total amount expended for state procurements in each fiscal year.

For further information see the ***state*** 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:

SECTION 1. 16.75 (3m) (b) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

16.75 **(3m)** (b) 1. The department and any agency making purchases under s. 16.74 shall attempt to ensure that ~~5~~ 7 percent of the total amount expended under this subchapter in each fiscal year is paid to minority businesses.

SECTION 2. 16.855 (10m) (am) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

16.855 **(10m)** (am) 1. In awarding construction contracts the department shall attempt to ensure that ~~5~~ 7 percent of the total amount expended in each fiscal year is awarded to contractors and subcontractors which are minority businesses, as defined under s. 16.75 (3m) (a) 4.

SECTION 3. 16.87 (2) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

16.87 **(2)** (b) The department shall attempt to ensure that ~~5~~ 7 percent of the total amount expended under this section in each fiscal year is paid to minority businesses, as defined in s. 16.75 (3m) (a) 4.

SECTION 4. 23.41 (6) of the statutes is amended to read:

23.41 **(6)** The department shall attempt to ensure that at least ~~5%~~ 7 percent of the total amount expended under this section in each fiscal year is paid to minority businesses, as defined in s. 16.75 (3m) (a) 4.

SECTION 5. Effective date.

(1) This act takes effect on July 1, 2014.

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