



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACT MEMO

2017 Wisconsin Act 146
[2017 Assembly Bill 527]

State Procurement of Signs

Under existing law, if a state agency makes a purchase for which the estimated cost exceeds \$50,000, the purchase must be made through competitive bidding. 2017 Wisconsin Act 146 provides that, if the items being purchased are signs, the purchase must be made through competitive bidding if the estimated cost exceeds \$3,500.

Also under existing law, state agencies making purchases generally must allow the Department of Corrections (DOC) the opportunity to provide the materials, supplies, equipment, or services if DOC is able to do so for a price that is comparable to one obtained through competitive bidding. The Act provides an exemption to this requirement for the purchase of signs.

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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.wisconsin.gov>.