

HOUSE No. 13

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

The Honorable Steven James
Clerk of the House of Representatives
State House, Room 145
Boston, Massachusetts 02133

January 3, 2011

Dear Mr. James:

[Recommendation Header Text]

1.) AN ACT RELATIVE TO CHAPTER 30B

[Recommendation Narrative Text]

Sincerely,

[Filer Name]
[Filer Title]

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So much of the recommendations of the Office of the Inspector General (House, No. 8) as relates to to Chapter 30B (accompanied by bill, House, No. 13). State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act relative to Chapter 30B.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 1 of chapter 30B, as appearing in the 2008 Official Edition, is
2 hereby amended by striking out subsection (5) of paragraph (b) in its entirety and inserting in
3 place thereof the following:

4 (5) a contract for the purchase of materials, under specifications of the Massachusetts
5 department of transportation highway division, and at prices established by the division, pursuant
6 to advertising and bidding for such purpose, in connection with work to be performed under the
7 provisions of chapter eighty-one or chapter ninety;

8 SECTION 2. Section 2 of Chapter 30B of the General Laws, as most recently amended
9 by Chapter 188 of the Acts of 2010, is hereby amended in the definition of “Bid” by inserting at
10 the end thereof the following:-

Electronic bids are only permitted if the governmental body has the capability to maintain the confidentiality of the bids until the bid opening time and the proposals until the evaluation process is complete.

SECTION 3. Section 2 of Chapter 30B of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended, in the definition of “Proposal” by inserting at the end thereof the following:-

Electronic proposals are only permitted if the governmental body has the capability to maintain the confidentiality of the bids until the bid opening time and the proposals until the evaluation process is complete.

SECTION 4. Section 2 of Chapter 30B of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking the words:- “and until the governmental body determines from which sellers it will buy based on the pricing obtained during the process.”