SENATE BILL 3647

By Bunch

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 12, Chapter 10 and Section 49-2-203, relative to public building authorities.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 12-10-124, is amended by deleting subsection (d) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(d) The authority shall contract for all services, including construction management services and design-build services, through the process provided in subsection (c) or by a request-for-proposals process. The request for proposals process will invite prospective proposers and will indicate the service requirements and the categories to be considered in the evaluation of the proposals, together with the relative weight of each category. The categories shall include such factors as qualifications, experience, staff availability, technical approach, minority participation and cost, as deemed appropriate by the authority. Proposers shall be given at least ten (10) days from public advertisement of the request for proposals to consider the evaluation factors set forth in the solicitation documents before submitting proposals. The contract shall be awarded to the best proposer, using the evaluation criteria set forth above, who meets the minimum required qualifications. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions, contracts for professional services are not required to be awarded through a competitive bid process or a request for proposals process.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring

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