

HOUSE BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
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51ST LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2014

A JOINT MEMORIAL

REQUESTING THE SECRETARY OF GENERAL SERVICES TO DEVELOP
GUIDANCE AND SECURE QUALIFIED TRAINING ON BIDS AND REQUESTS FOR
PROPOSALS FOR GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS FOR CHIEF PROCUREMENT
OFFICERS THAT WILL PROMOTE FAIR COMPETITION AND TRANSPARENCY
FOR NEW MEXICO RESIDENT BUSINESSES AND CONTRACTORS.

WHEREAS, New Mexico ranks forty-eighth in the nation in
job growth; and

WHEREAS, the state provides preferences to New Mexico
resident businesses and contractors, including resident veteran
businesses and contractors, when a public body makes a purchase
using a formal bid or request-for-proposals process; and

WHEREAS, the procurement process is used to procure
technical and professional services and certain items of
tangible personal property by state agencies and local public

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1 bodies; and

2 WHEREAS, state agencies and local public bodies should
3 include mandatory requirements in bids and requests for
4 proposals that will place New Mexico resident businesses and
5 contractors in the fairest, most transparent and competitive
6 position for procurements; and

7 WHEREAS, the purchasing division of the general services
8 department is empowered to procure a price agreement for
9 services, construction or items of personal property, which may
10 then be used by other state agencies and local public bodies to
11 procure the services and property without further competitive
12 processes; and

13 WHEREAS, current statewide price agreements do not
14 identify vendors that are New Mexico resident businesses or
15 contractors;

16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE
17 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the secretary of general services be
18 requested to develop guidance and secure qualified training for
19 chief procurement officers of state agencies and local public
20 bodies by persons experienced with the specifications and
21 contractual terms in bids and requests for proposals that will
22 promote fair competition and transparency for New Mexico
23 resident businesses and contractors for government contracts;
24 and

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if a New Mexico resident

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1 business or contractor is a vendor on a statewide price
2 agreement, the secretary of general services will identify the
3 resident business or contractor on the price agreement; and

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be
5 transmitted to the secretary of general services.

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