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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1560

5 By: Representative McGrew
6 By: Senator Caldwell
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For An Act To Be Entitled

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9 AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PUBLIC WORKS
10 CONTRACTS; TO REQUIRE PRICING INFORMATION FOR
11 LIGHTING COMPONENTS FOR PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS; AND
12 FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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18 INFORMATION FOR LIGHTING COMPONENTS FOR
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21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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23 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 22-9-203, concerning the award procedure
24 for contracts for public improvements, is amended to add an additional
25 subsection to read as follows:

26 (n)(1) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the state, an
27 agency of the state, a county, a municipality, a school district, or other
28 local taxing unit shall not enter into a contract with a contractor that
29 includes a project designed by an electrical engineering firm unless the
30 design requires allowance for a three-bid specification by three (3) separate
31 lighting agencies.

32 (2) As used in this subsection, "lighting agency" means an
33 entity that represents one (1) or more lighting manufacturers for sale
34 through electrical distribution houses.

35 (3) This subsection does not apply to a municipal electric
36 utility.



1 (4) An architect or an electrical engineer may make an allowance
2 for a specialty fixture to be procured outside of the three-bid requirement
3 under subdivision (n)(1) of this section when circumstances warrant the
4 allowance because of design aesthetics or historical purposes, or both.
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