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An Act To Ensure Accountability in State Contracts

Reference to the Committee on State and Local Government suggested and ordered printed.

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Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator ALFOND of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Representative FLEMINGS of Bar Harbor and
Senators: BARTLETT of Cumberland, GERZOFSKY of Cumberland, JACKSON of
Aroostook, Representative: TREAT of Hallowell.

1 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

2 **Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §1522** is enacted to read:

3 **§1522. Criteria for state contracts**

4 **1. State contracts.** In addition to any other requirement under this Part, the
5 Department of Administrative and Financial Services shall ensure that a request for
6 proposal or solicitation of a bid by the State, including by any state agency as defined in
7 section 1552, subsection 6, for a contract to provide property, products or services from a
8 person, including a nonprofit corporation under Title 13-B, includes the following
9 information:

10 A. Description of the property, products or services;

11 B. Estimated cost of providing the property, products or services;

12 C. Estimated duration of the contract;

13 D. Estimated number of people to be employed in fulfilling the contract; and

14 E. A list of any interim or final reports required.

15 **2. Posting of information.** The information required under subsection 1 must be
16 posted on the publicly accessible portion of the Department of Administrative and
17 Financial Services website. The department shall also post details of the final contract or
18 agreement entered into pursuant to a request for proposal or solicitation of a bid under
19 this section, including the information provided by the successful bidder in response to
20 the request for proposal or solicitation of a bid under subsection 1.

21 **3. Application.** This section applies to any contract or agreement for the provision
22 of property, products or services in a budget adopted under chapter 149.

23 **SUMMARY**

24 This bill requires any request for proposal or solicitation of a bid by the State for a
25 contract for the provision of property, products or services by the state budget to include
26 certain defining information and requires the information to be posted on the publicly
27 accessible portion of the Department of Administrative and Financial Services website.