

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law.

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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1869

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For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE PROCUREMENT OF PROFESSIONAL AND CONSULTING SERVICES; TO PROHIBIT COMPETITIVE BIDDING FOR DRONE AERIAL DATA PROFESSIONAL SERVICES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE PROCUREMENT OF PROFESSIONAL AND CONSULTING SERVICES; AND TO PROHIBIT COMPETITIVE BIDDING FOR DRONE AERIAL DATA PROFESSIONAL SERVICES.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 19-11-801(b), concerning the policy related to the procurement of professional and consulting services, is amended to read as follows:

(b) It is the policy of the State of Arkansas and its political subdivisions that political subdivisions shall follow the procedures stated in this section, except that competitive bidding shall not be used for the procurement of legal, financial advisory, architectural, engineering, construction management, drone aerial data, and land surveying professional consultant services.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 19-11-801(e), concerning the policy related to the procurement of professional and consulting services, is amended to



read as follows:

(e) As used in this subchapter:

(1) “Drone aerial data” includes without limitation the following obtained or created by using an unmanned aerial vehicle and processed by a professional into an end product:

(A) Aerial photography;

(B) Map data;

(C) Attribute data;

(D) Topographic information;

(E) Infrastructure-related information;

(F) Photogrammetric mapping;

(G) Geospatial data;

(H) Videography;

(I) Three-dimensional modeling;

(J) Light detection and ranging data;

(K) Light detection and ranging point clouds;

(L) Products derived from light detection and ranging data; and

(M) Real-time kinematics;

(2) “Political subdivision” means counties, school districts, cities of the first class, cities of the second class, and incorporated towns; and

~~(2)~~(3) “Other professional services” means professional services not listed in subsection (b) of this section as defined by a political subdivision with a two-thirds (2/3) vote of its governing body.

SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 19-11-802(c)(1), concerning annual statements of qualifications and performance data and restrictions on competitive bidding, is amended to read as follows:

(c)(1) The political subdivision shall not use competitive bidding for the procurement of legal, financial advisory, architectural, engineering, construction management, drone aerial data, and land surveying professional consulting services.

/s/B. Smith