

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

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**A Bill**

HOUSE BILL 1646

By: Representative McGrew

By: Senator M. McKee

### **For An Act To Be Entitled**

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

### **Subtitle**

TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PUBLIC WORKS  
CONTRACTS; AND TO REQUIRE PRICING  
INFORMATION FOR LIGHTING COMPONENTS FOR  
PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 22-9-203, concerning the award procedure for contracts for public improvements, is amended to add an additional subsection to read as follows:

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

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

(3) This subsection does not apply to a municipal electric



utility.

*/s/McGrew*