

## SHARED REVENUE AND TAX RELIEF

### Local Public Works Projects

Motion:

Move the following relating to public works contracts entered into by a technical college district board, public library system board, county, town, village, or second-, third-, or fourth-class city:

- a. Increase the statutory minimum dollar amount of a public works project that must be let by contract to the lowest responsible bidder from \$25,000 to \$100,000 and specify that any contract for which the estimated cost is less than \$100,000 need not be let to the lowest responsible bidder;
- b. Increase the estimated costs of a public work project that requires a Class 1 notice before the work can be contracted from the current range of \$5,000 to \$25,000 to a range of \$15,000 to \$100,000.
- c. Specify that the proposed changes would first apply to contracts let on the effective date of the bill.

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Under current law, any public works contract entered into by a technical college district board, public library system board, county, town, village, or second-, third-, or fourth-class city must be let to the lowest responsible bidder if the estimated cost of the public works contract exceeds \$25,000. If the project cost is for less than \$25,000, the contract can be let as the local governing body directs. The motion would increase the estimated cost of a project that would be subject to the lowest responsible bidder requirement to \$100,000, and would specifically state that any public works contract for less than \$100,000 would not have to be let to the lowest responsible bidder.

The motion would also change the thresholds for publication of a Class 1 notice of projects with a range of \$5,000 to \$25,000 to a range of \$15,000 to \$100,000. Under current law, a Class 1 notice require one insertion in the designated official newspaper. An insertion, when used to indicate the publication of a legal notice more than one time, means once each week for consecutive weeks, the last of which must be at least one week before the act or event.

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