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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to state contracts; amending s. 287.058, F.S.; requiring all state contracts of more than a certain amount to require call-center services to be staffed by persons located within the United States; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Subsection (1) of section 287.058, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

287.058 Contract document.-

- (1) A Every procurement of contractual services in excess of the threshold amount provided under in s. 287.017 for CATEGORY TWO, except for the providing of health and mental health services or drugs in the examination, diagnosis, or treatment of sick or injured state employees or the providing of other benefits as required by the provisions of chapter 440, must shall be evidenced by a written agreement embodying all provisions and conditions for of the procurement of such services, which shall, where applicable, must include, but need not be limited to, a provision:
- (a) <u>Providing</u> that bills for fees or other compensation for services or expenses be submitted in detail sufficient for a proper preaudit and postaudit thereof.
- (b) <u>Providing</u> that bills for any travel expenses be submitted in accordance with s. 112.061. A state agency may establish rates lower than the maximum provided in s. 112.061.

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(c) Specifying that all call-center services provided pursuant to the contract be staffed by persons located within the United States. This also applies to all call-center services performed by a subcontractor pursuant to the contract.

- (d) (c) Allowing unilateral cancellation by the agency for refusal by the contractor to allow public access to all documents, papers, letters, or other material made or received by the contractor in conjunction with the contract, unless the records are exempt from s. 24(a) of Art. I of the State Constitution and s. 119.07(1).
- <u>(e) (d)</u> Specifying a scope of work which that clearly establishes all tasks the contractor is required to perform.
- (f) (e) Dividing the contract into quantifiable, measurable, and verifiable units of deliverables which that must be received and accepted in writing by the contract manager before payment. Each deliverable must be directly related to the scope of work and specify the required minimum level of service to be performed and criteria for evaluating the successful completion of each deliverable.
- $\underline{(g)}$ (f) Specifying the criteria and the final date by which such criteria must be met for completion of the contract.
- (h) (g) Specifying that the contract may be renewed for up to a period that may not exceed 3 years or the term of the original contract, whichever period is longer, specifying the renewal price for the contractual service as set forth in the bid, proposal, or reply, specifying that costs for the renewal may not be charged, and specifying that renewals are shall be contingent upon satisfactory performance evaluations by the

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agency and subject to the availability of funds. Exceptional purchase contracts pursuant to s. 287.057(3)(a) and (c) may not be renewed.

(i) (h) Specifying the financial consequences that the agency must apply if the contractor fails to perform in accordance with the contract.

(j)(i) Addressing the property rights of any intellectual property related to the contract and the specific rights of the state regarding the intellectual property if the contractor fails to provide the services or is no longer providing services.

In lieu of a written agreement, the department may authorize the use of a purchase order for classes of contractual services, if the provisions of paragraphs $\underline{(a)-(j)}$ $\underline{(a)-(i)}$ are included in the purchase order or solicitation. The purchase order must include, but need not be limited to, an adequate description of the services, the contract period, and the method of payment. In lieu of printing the provisions of paragraphs $\underline{(a)-(j)}$ $\underline{(a)-(i)}$ in the contract document or purchase order, agencies may incorporate the requirements of $\underline{(a)}$ paragraphs $\underline{(a)-(i)}$ by reference.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2013.