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A bill to be entitled  
An act relating to governmental purchasing;  
amending ss. 235.31, 287.093, F.S.; authorizing  
certain local governmental entities to  
implement certain small-business-enterprise  
programs; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Paragraph (d) is added to subsection (1) of  
section 235.31, Florida Statutes, to read:

235.31 Advertising and awarding contracts;  
prequalification of contractor.--

(1)

(d) A county, municipality, community college, or  
district school board may, in its sole discretion, implement a  
small-business-enterprise program that includes designating  
construction project contracts for competitive bidding by  
small business enterprises, when feasible.

Section 2. Section 287.093, Florida Statutes, is  
amended to read:

287.093 Minority business enterprises; procurement of  
personal property and services from funds set aside for such  
purpose.--

(1) Any county, municipality, community college, or  
district school board may set aside up to 10 percent or more  
of the total amount of funds allocated for the procurement of  
personal property and services for the purpose of entering  
into contracts with minority business enterprises. Such  
contracts shall be competitively bid only among minority  
business enterprises. The set-aside shall be used to redress

1 present effects of past discriminatory practices and shall be  
2 subject to periodic reassessment to account for changing needs  
3 and circumstances.

4 (2) A county, municipality, community college, or  
5 district school board may, in its sole discretion, implement a  
6 small-business-enterprise program that includes designating  
7 contracts for competitive bidding by small business  
8 enterprises, when feasible.

9 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 1998.

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SENATE SUMMARY

Authorizes certain local governmental entities to  
identify potential contracting opportunities for small  
business enterprises and implement  
small-business-enterprise programs.