HB 0545 2004 A bill to be entitled

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An act relating to selection of construction managers for state correctional facilities construction projects; amending s. 944.10, F.S.; providing that the process for selecting construction managers for state correctional facilities construction projects shall not be projectspecific, notwithstanding other provisions of law; providing for the preselection of construction managers for future projects; providing for advertising requirements in connection with the selection of

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

construction managers; providing an effective date.

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Section 1. Subsection (1) of section 944.10, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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944.10 Department of Corrections to provide buildings; sale and purchase of land; contracts to provide services and inmate labor.--

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It is the intent of the Legislature to expedite the (1)(a) siting of, acquisition of land for, and construction by the Department of Corrections of state correctional facilities operated by the department or a private vendor under contract with the department. Other agencies shall cooperate with the department and expeditiously fulfill their responsibilities to avoid unnecessary delay in the siting of, acquisition of land for, and construction of state correctional facilities. This section and all other laws of the state shall be construed to

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accomplish this intent. This section shall take precedence over any other law to the contrary.

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of s. 255.29, the process for selecting construction managers for the construction of state correctional facilities shall not be project-specific in order to allow preselection of construction managers for future projects based upon a continuing contract similar to architect and engineer selection under s. 287.055. The advertising requirements of s. 255.0525 shall apply to the process for selecting construction managers for the construction of state correctional facilities.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2004.