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Representative(s) Kottkamp offered the following:

Amendment (with title amendment)

Remove everything after the enacting clause, and insert:

Section 1. Paragraph (i) is added to subsection (2) of section 20.22, Florida Statutes, to read:

- 20.22 Department of Management Services.--There is created a Department of Management Services.
- (2) The following divisions and programs within the Department of Management Services are established:
 - (i) Center for Efficient Government.
- Section 2. Section 287.0571, Florida Statutes, is created to read:
 - 287.0571 Applicability of ss. 287.0571-287.0578.--
- (1) Sections 287.0571-287.0578 shall be known as the
- "Center for Efficient Government Act".

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- (2) It is the intent of the Legislature that state agencies focus on their core missions and deliver services effectively and efficiently by leveraging resources and contracting with the private sector for services that can be more effectively provided by the private sector and that reduce the cost of government for all citizens of the state.
- (3) The provisions of this act shall not be required to apply to procurements of commodities and contractual services listed in s. 287.057(5)(e), (f), and (g) and (22).
 - (4) The provisions of this act shall not apply to:
- (a) Procurements of commodities and contractual services subject to s. 287.055.
- (b) Contracts in support of the planning, development, implementation, operation, or maintenance of the road, bridge, and public transportation construction program of the Department of Transportation.
- Section 3. Section 287.0573, Florida Statutes, is created to read:
 - 287.0573 Definitions.--For the purposes of this act:
 - (1) "Center" means the Center for Efficient Government.
- (2) "Centralized gate process" means the system of review phases for a proposed procurement of contractual services, the conclusion of each phase being a "gate" or decision point at which the commission determines whether the procurement under consideration may proceed to the next phase.
- (3) "Commission" means the Commission on Efficient Government.
- Section 4. Section 287.0574, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

287.0574 Criteria for procurement of contractual services.--

- (1) The agency must include with its final legislative budget request the business cases for procurements for contractual services that the agency proposes in the fiscal year for which the final legislative budget request is submitted, in the manner and form prescribed in the legislative budget request instructions pursuant to s. 216.023.
- (2) When compared to the cost and quality of service performed by state employees, an agency may procure a contractual service currently or previously provided by state employees only if, upon full implementation of a procurement, it:
- (a) Results in reasonable cost savings while maintaining at least the same quality of service;
- (b) Reasonably increases the quality of service while not exceeding the same level of cost; or
- (c) Significantly increases measurable outputs and quality while minimally increasing costs, at levels and percentages proposed by the procuring agency and approved in writing in advance of the procurement by the commission. Only projects with an annual cost below \$10 million in each fiscal year may meet this criterion.
- Section 5. Section 287.0575, Florida Statutes, is created to read:
- 287.0575 Commission on Efficient Government; membership; duties; Center for Efficient Government; duties.--
- (1) The Commission on Efficient Government is created within the Department of Management Services to oversee the 637389

- 76 Center for Efficient Government and carry out the 77 responsibilities specified in this section.
 - (a) The commission shall consist of seven members appointed by the Governor:
 - 1. Four members shall be heads of executive branch agencies.
 - 2. Three members shall be from the private sector and, collectively, shall have experience with procurement, successfully increasing operational efficiency, and implementing complex projects in the private sector business environment. No private sector member of the commission may at any time during his or her appointment to the commission be registered to lobby the executive or legislative branch.
 - (b) By August 1, 2005, the Governor shall appoint two private sector members and two agency heads for terms of 3 years and one private sector member and two agency heads for terms of 4 years. Thereafter, each member shall serve for a term of 4 years. The private sector members shall serve without compensation but shall be entitled to reimbursement for per diem and travel expenses pursuant to s. 112.061.
 - (c) No member of the commission shall participate in commission review of a procurement when his or her agency is conducting the procurement or, in the case of a private sector member, he or she has a business relationship with an entity that is involved or could potentially be involved in the procurement.
 - (d) The members of the commission may not delegate their membership to a designee.

- (e) A quorum shall consist of at least four members, including at least two private-sector members. At least one private-sector member must vote on the prevailing side for commission action to take effect.
- (f) Any vacancy on the commission shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment, and any member appointed to fill a vacancy occurring for a reason other than the expiration of a term shall serve only for the unexpired term of the member's predecessor.
- (g) At the first meeting of the commission after August 1, 2005, the members of the commission shall elect, by majority vote of those in attendance, a member to serve as chair of the commission. No later than September 1 of each succeeding year, the commission shall elect a new chair.
 - (h) The commission shall:
 - 1. Oversee the Center for Efficient Government.
 - 2. Adopt the centralized gate process.
- 3. Review, evaluate, and grant approval of, withhold approval of, or deny approval of a proposed procurement at each gate established within the centralized gate process. The commission shall adopt rules regarding the procurements that must pass through the centralized gate process. Such procurements shall include, at a minimum, those subject to the requirements of s. 287.0576(1).
- 4. Approve templates and guidelines and adopt rules prescribing standards and procedures for use by agencies during the procurement process which shall, at a minimum, include the requirements under ss. 287.0576-287.0577 for procurements of contractual services.

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- 5. Implement a plan for providing information and documentation to the Legislature and the Governor on behalf of agencies and in compliance with the provisions of this chapter.

 The plan shall include, at a minimum, providing copies of documents to be reviewed by the commission to the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Governor, and the chairs of the relevant appropriations and substantive legislative committees at least 14 days prior to the meeting of the commission at which the proposed procurement will be discussed.
- 6. Review the performance of procurements which have advanced through the full centralized gate process.
- (2) The Center for Efficient Government is created in the department to establish and promote best business practices so that the delivery of services to citizens of the state are provided in the most effective and cost-efficient manner possible. The secretary of the department shall appoint a director of the center. The duties and responsibilities of the center are:
- (a) Recommending and implementing a centralized gate process for reviewing and evaluating, and granting, withholding, or denying approval of, agency procurements which, at a minimum, shall include the requirements contained in s. 287.0576(1) and (2) for contractual services procurements.
- (b) Providing support and assistance to the commission, including, but not limited to, reviewing and validating agency business cases, recommending standards, processes, templates, and guidelines for use by agencies during the procurement

process and providing information and documentation as requested or required by law.

- (c) Assisting agencies directly in the procurement process as needed to ensure a high-quality procurement, including, but not limited to, developing and updating business cases, drafting solicitation and contract documents, participating in contract negotiations, identifying performance measures, and advising agencies on performance measurement, contract management, and change management. The center shall also provide information, training, and technical assistance to agencies on the use of the standards, processes, templates, and guidelines developed for use by agencies during the procurement process.
- (d) Collecting data and information from agencies on an ongoing basis with regard to the status and results of procurements that have advanced completely through the centralized gate process, recommending incorporation of any lessons learned from such projects into commission standards, procedures, templates, and guidelines, as appropriate, and identifying and disseminating to agencies information regarding best practices in procurement, particularly contractual services procurements.
- (e) Developing and implementing, in consultation with the Agency for Workforce Innovation, guidelines for assisting employees whose jobs are eliminated as a result of procurements.
- (3) The department shall employ an adequate number of highly skilled, credentialed staff who collectively possess significant expertise and experience as required to carry out the responsibilities of this act.

- (4) Agencies shall submit to the center all information,
 documents, or other materials required by commission rule or
 this chapter.
 - Section 6. Section 287.0576, Florida Statutes, is created to read:
 - 287.0576 Review and analysis of proposed procurement of contractual services; centralized gate process.--
 - (1) At a minimum, procurements required to undergo review and analysis through the centralized gate process adopted by the commission are:
 - (a) Contractual services procurements that have an estimated total cost of \$10 million or more in any fiscal year.
 - (b) New contractual services procurements that will require adjustments to the agency's budget, in accordance with chapter 216, totaling \$1 million or more. Amendments to existing contracts are excluded.
 - (c) Contractual services procurements that do not involve an outlay of state funds estimated to total \$10 million or more in any fiscal year because of the provision of services by the contractor at a rate significantly below market rate, the significant investment of other resources by the agency, or other reason, but in which the total value of the services performed by the agency and contractor under the contract is estimated to total \$10 million or more in any fiscal year.

 Examples of such procurements include, but are not limited to, free, no-cost, or codevelopment contracts.
 - (d) Contractual services procurements for which the sum of gross revenues or shared savings to be generated for the state and contractor over the term of the contract plus the sum of any 637389

- payments to the contractor by the agency over the term of the
 contract, if any, is estimated to total \$10 million or more in
 any fiscal year.
 - (e) Contractual services procurements that do not meet the criteria in paragraphs (a)-(d) that the Legislature has directed to be subject to the centralized gate process.
 - (2) Extensions and renewals of contracts resulting from procurements in subsection (1) and extensions and renewals of contracts meeting the criteria identified in paragraphs (1)(a), (c), and (d) which did not pass through the center shall undergo review and analysis through the centralized gate process implemented by the center, though, notwithstanding any law to the contrary, such contracts shall pass only through such gates as the commission determines are appropriate based on the legislative intent of this act.

For purposes of determining whether a procurement meets the requirements of this section, multiple contractual services procurements for substantially similar or related functions or responsibilities occurring in a coordinated fashion or in close time proximity to one another are considered a single contractual services procurement for purposes of meeting the thresholds set forth in this section.

(3) The centralized gate process shall require, at a minimum, review of the procurement by the commission at each gate. At each gate, the commission shall determine by majority vote to:

- (a) Approve the procurement, if the agency has sufficiently met the requirements of the current gate, and advance the procurement to the next phase;
- (b) Withhold approval of the procurement, if additional work must be completed in order to satisfy the requirements of the current gate, and retain the procurement in that phase; or
- (c) Deny the procurement, if the procurement is not a good business decision, and remove the procurement from consideration.

Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, the commission may not deny procurements which are required by law. If the commission determines that a procurement required by law is not a good business decision, the commission shall withhold approval and transmit to the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the Governor the reasons why the procurement should not be completed and any recommendation for legislative action. If the President of the Senate or the Speaker of the House of Representatives has not responded within 14 business days of receipt of the communication, the commission shall proceed at its discretion consistent with the Legislative intent of this act.

Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, agencies under the individual control of the Attorney General, the Chief Financial Officer, or the Commissioner of Agriculture are subject to the provisions of this act, except that the commission shall not grant, withhold, or deny approval of a procurement by such agency but instead may only provide recommendations to the 637389

- agency. The respective agency head shall have sole authority to grant, withhold, or deny approval of such procurement.
 - (4) The gates and required documentation comprising the centralized gate process shall, at a minimum, consist of:
 - (a) The proposal identification gate, which shall include the business case.
 - (b) The procurement preparation gate, which shall include the updated business case and the solicitation documents prior to the issuance of such documents. An agency may not release solicitation documents without the commission's approval at this gate. The commission must review and approve the written determination of the agency required pursuant to s.

 287.057(3)(a) before granting approval for the use of an invitation to negotiate, or withhold approval pending submission by the agency of an acceptable alternative solicitation method.
 - (c) The contract development gate, which shall include the final business case and the proposed unexecuted contract. An agency may not execute the contract without the commission's approval at this gate.
 - (d) The transition management gate, which shall include updates to the final business case and, for a procurement of contractual services, an analysis of the agency's and contractor's readiness for the contractor to perform the proposed responsibility or function. An agency may not transition to contractor performance without the commission's approval at this gate.
 - (e) The post-implementation gate, which shall include updates to the final business case and a report on the adequacy of contractor performance.

- (5) (a) Any executed contract for a procurement passing through the centralized gate process pursuant to this section shall be null and void if an agency fails to comply with the commission decision at the proposal identification, procurement preparation, or contract development gate.
- (b) Failure to comply with any other requirements of this act or implementing rules shall not affect the validity of the competitive solicitation and award process or any contract.
- (6) The commission shall take action at each gate within 60 days of the submission of a procurement by an agency. If the commission does not take action within this timeframe, the agency head shall determine whether to grant, withhold, or deny approval of the procurement at that gate based on the rules and guidelines of the commission for that gate and shall notify the Governor, the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the commission of such action and the circumstances thereof.
- annually submit with its legislative budget request a status report for each procurement that has passed through at least the first three gates of the centralized gate process describing the progress made to date, actual completion dates in comparison to planned completion dates, actual costs incurred in comparison to projected costs incurred, current issues requiring resolution, planned project milestones, deliverables, and expenditures for the next reporting period, and any other information relating to the contractual services that may be requested.
- Section 7. Section 287.0577, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

287.0577 Requirements for procurement of certain
contractual servicesIn addition to the other applicable
requirements of this chapter, an agency shall comply with the
following requirements for, at a minimum, procurements of
contractual services estimated to total \$1 million or more in
any fiscal year and those subject to review under s.
287.0576(1)(b), (c), (d), and (e) and (2):

- (1) BUSINESS CASE.--The agency shall develop a business case which describes and analyzes the procurement. The business case is not subject to challenge or protest pursuant to chapter 120. The business case shall include, but not be limited to, the information in paragraphs (a)-(1). For procurements not subject to commission review, the agency shall provide a copy of the business case to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House at least 14 days prior to releasing a solicitation.

 For procurements subject to commission review, the business case shall be in such detail as is appropriate given the current phase of the procurement but shall contain sufficient information to enable the commission to determine at that gate whether the procurement may proceed to the next procurement phase:
- (a)1. A detailed description of the function or responsibility for which the procurement is proposed;
- 2. If the agency is currently performing the function or responsibility, a description and analysis of the agency's current performance, including, but not limited to, baseline costs and performance metrics;
- 3. The goals desired to be achieved through the procurement and the rationale for such goals; and 637389 4/25/2005 12:23:00 PM

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- 4. A citation of the existing or proposed legal authority for contracting for the function or responsibility.
- (b)1. A description of available options for achieving the goals. If state employees are currently performing the function or responsibility, at least one option involving maintaining state provision of the function or responsibility shall be included.
- 2. A description of the current market for the contractual services which are under consideration for procurement.
- 3. An analysis of the advantages and disadvantages of each option, including, at a minimum, potential performance improvements and risks.
- (c) A cost-benefit analysis documenting the direct and indirect specific baseline costs, savings, and qualitative and quantitative benefits involved in or resulting from the implementation of the recommended option or options. Such analysis shall specify the schedule that, at a minimum, must be adhered to in order to achieve the estimated savings. All elements of cost shall be clearly identified in the cost-benefit analysis, described in the business case, and supported by applicable records and reports. The agency head shall attest that, based on the data and information underlying the business case, to the best of his or her knowledge, all projected costs, savings, and benefits are valid and achievable. "Cost" means the reasonable, relevant, and verifiable cost which may include, but not be limited to, elements such as personnel costs, materials and supplies, services, equipment, capital depreciation costs, rent, maintenance and repairs, utilities, insurance, personnel travel, overhead, and interim and final payments. The 637389

 appropriate elements shall depend on the nature of the specific initiative. "Savings" means the difference between the direct and indirect actual annual baseline costs compared to the projected annual cost for the contracted functions or responsibilities in any succeeding state fiscal year during the term of the contract.

- (d) A description of variance among agency policies and processes and, as appropriate, a discussion of options for or a plan to standardize, consolidate, or revise current policies and processes, if any, to reduce the customization of any proposed solution that would otherwise be required.
- (e) A description of the specific performance standards that must, at a minimum, be met to ensure adequate performance.
- (f) A statement of the potential impact on federal, state, and local revenues and expenditures. The statement shall specifically describe the effect on general revenue, trust funds, general revenue service charges, and interest on trust funds together with the potential direct or indirect effect on federal funding and cost allocations.
- (g) The projected timeframe for key events, from the beginning of the procurement process through the expiration of a contract.
- (h) A plan to ensure compliance with public records law which must include components that:
- 1. Provide public access to public records at a cost that does not exceed that provided in chapter 119.
- 2. Ensure the confidentiality of records that are exempt or confidential under law.

- 3. Meet all legal requirements for record retention provided by law.
 - 4. Require transfer to the state, at no cost, of all public records in possession of the contractor upon termination of the contract.
 - (i) A specific and feasible contingency plan addressing contractor nonperformance and a description of the tasks involved in and costs required for its implementation.
 - (j) An agency transition plan for addressing changes in the number of agency personnel, affected business processes, employee transition issues, and communication with affected stakeholders, such as agency clients and the public. The transition plan shall contain a reemployment and retraining assistance plan for employees who are not retained by the agency or employed by the contractor.
 - (k) A listing of any assets proposed for surplus or use by a contractor. For those assets proposed to be used by a contractor, the business case shall include a description of the proposed requirements for maintaining those assets by the contractor or the agency in accordance with chapter 273, a plan for the transitioning of the assets upon termination of the contract, and a description of how the planned use by a contractor is in the best interest of the agency and state.
 - (1) A plan for ensuring access by persons with disabilities in compliance with applicable state and federal law.

If a contractual services procurement meets the criteria for

submission of feasibility study documentation as required by the

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- legislative budget request instructions established pursuant to
 s. 216.023, the agency shall submit such documentation.
 - (2) SOLICITATION REQUIREMENTS.--The solicitation for a contractual services procurement shall include, at a minimum:
 - (a) A detailed description of the function or responsibility under consideration for contracting and, if the function or responsibility is currently being performed by an agency, a description and analysis of the agency's current performance.
 - (b) Requirements that are achievable, unambiguous, measurable, meaningful, and complete.
 - (c) The criteria that after contract execution will be used to assess contractor performance and the minimum acceptable contractor performance levels.
 - (3) CONTRACT.--Each contract must include, but need not be limited to:
 - (a) A detailed scope of work that clearly specifies each service or deliverable to be provided, including a description of each deliverable or activity that is quantifiable, measurable, and verifiable.
 - (b) All service-level agreements describing all services to be provided under the terms of the agreement, the agency's service requirements and performance objectives, and specific responsibilities of the agency and the contractor.
 - (c) Associated costs and savings, specific payment terms and payment schedule, including incentive and disincentive provisions, criteria governing payment, and a clear and specific implementation schedule that will be implemented in order to complete all required activities needed to transfer the service 637389

- from the agency to the contractor and operate the service successfully.
 - (d) Clear and specific identification of all required performance standards, which must include, at a minimum:
 - 1. Detailed measurable acceptance criteria for each deliverable and service to be provided to the agency under the terms of the contract which document the required performance level.
 - 2. A method for monitoring and reporting progress in achieving specified performance standards and levels.
 - 3. The sanctions or disincentives that shall be assessed for nonperformance by the contractor or agency.
 - (e) A requirement that the contractor maintain adequate accounting records that comply with all applicable federal and state laws and generally accepted accounting principles.
 - (f) A requirement authorizing state access to and audit of all records related to the contract or any responsibilities or functions under the contract for state audit and legislative oversight purposes and a requirement for service organization audits in accordance with professional auditing standards, if appropriate.
 - (g) A requirement describing the timing and substance of all plans and status or progress reports that are to be provided. All plans and status or progress reports must comply with any relevant state and federal standards.
 - (h) A requirement that the contractor comply with public records laws. The contractor must:

- 1. Keep and maintain the public records that ordinarily and necessarily would be required by the state agency in order to perform the function or service.
- 2. Provide the public with access to such public records on the same terms and conditions that the state agency would and at a cost that does not exceed that provided in chapter 119.
- 3. Ensure the confidentiality of records that are exempt from public disclosure or made confidential under law.
- 4. Meet all requirements for retaining records and transfer to the state, at no cost, all public records in possession of the contractor upon termination of the contract and destroy any duplicate public records which are exempt and confidential. All records stored electronically must be provided to the state in a format that is compatible with information technology systems of the state.
- (i) A requirement that any state funds provided for the purchase of or improvements to real property be made contingent upon the contractor granting to the state a security interest in the property which is at least equal to the amount of the state funds provided for the most recent years following the date of purchase or the completion of improvements, or as otherwise required by law. The contract must include a provision that, if the contractor disposes of the property before the agency's interest is vacated, the contractor will refund the proportionate share of the state's initial investment, as adjusted by depreciation.
- (j) If a contract involves the development or creation of intellectual property, the contract must specify the ownership of such intellectual property and any rights of the state to 637389

- 532 use, modify, reproduce, or disseminate the intellectual 533 property.
 - (k) A provision that the contractor annually submit and verify, pursuant to s. 92.525, all required financial statements.
 - (1) A requirement that the contractor shall interview and consider for employment with the contractor each displaced state employee who is interested in such employment.
 - (m) Provisions requiring that venue for any action regarding the contract shall be in Leon County and that the contract shall be interpreted according to the laws of this state.
 - (4) AMENDMENTS.--An agency may not amend a contract without first submitting the proposed contract amendment to the Executive Office of the Governor for approval and notifying the chairs of the legislative appropriations committees of such submission if the effect of the amendment would be to:
 - (a) Increase the value of the contract by \$1 million or more for those contracts with a total value of at least \$1 million but less than \$10 million; or
 - (b) Increase the value of the contract by 10 percent or more for those contracts with a total value of \$10 million or more.

An agency shall not divide a contract amendment so as to avoid the requirements of this section.

(5) In addition to the requirements of subsections
287.057(13) and (14), prior to the renewal or extension of a
contract, an agency shall document whether all specific direct
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and indirect costs, savings, performance standards, and qualitative and quantitative benefits identified in the contract have been met by the contractor and the agency. If the actual performance of the contractor does not meet the required performance as identified in the contract, the agency shall explain the reasons why and provide justification for the extensions or renewal of the contract. This documentation shall be included in the official contract file.

Section 8. Section 287.0578, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

287.0578 Subsequent inconsistent laws.--Subsequent inconsistent laws shall supersede this act only to the extent they do so by express reference to this section.

Section 9. Paragraph (b) of subsection (17) of section 287.057, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

287.057 Procurement of commodities or contractual services.--

- (17) For a contract in excess of the threshold amount provided in s. 287.017 for CATEGORY FOUR, the agency head shall appoint:
- (b) At least three persons to conduct negotiations during a competitive sealed reply procurement who collectively have experience and knowledge in negotiating contracts, contract procurement, and the program areas and service requirements for which commodities or contractual services are sought. When the annual value of a contract is in excess of \$1 million, at least one of the persons conducting negotiations must be certified as a contract negotiator based upon rules adopted by the Department of Management Services.

590 Section 10. Section 215.4211, Florida Statutes, is created 591 to read: 215.4211 Review of contracts for state agencies. -- The 592 593 Chief Financial Officer may request, as he or she deems 594 necessary, the option to review and provide comments prior to 595 the execution of any contract that is required to be in compliance with the provisions of s. 287.0577(3). 596 597 Section 11. Section 216.1817, Florida Statutes, is created to read: 598 216.1817 Placement of positions in reserve; 599 600 reestablishment of positions.--If a procurement of contractual services involves the performance of functions or 601 responsibilities that are being shifted from state employees to 602 a contractor, the agency shall identify within the business case 603 prepared pursuant to s. 287.0577 all resources which are 604 605 affected, including full-time equivalent positions. All fulltime equivalent positions identified in the business case shall 606 607 be placed in reserve by the Executive Office of the Governor until the end of the second year of the contract. However, in 608 609 the business case, the agency may account for any savings from the full-time equivalent positions identified and held in 610 611 reserve. Notwithstanding the provisions of s. 216.262, the Executive Office of the Governor shall request authority from 612 the Legislative Budget Commission to reestablish full-time 613 equivalent positions above the number fixed by the Legislature 614 615 if a contract is terminated and the performance of the functions 616 or responsibilities must be returned to the agency. 617 Section 12. This act shall not apply to administrative,

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519	services for any board, commission, or council created within
520	the Department of Business and Professional Regulation pursuant
521	to chapter 20, Florida Statutes, as the privatization of such
522	services is governed by ss. 455.32 and 471.038, Florida
523	Statutes.
524	Section 13. Section 287.074, Florida Statutes, is created
525	to read:

- <u>287.074</u> Actions reserved to public officers or employees.--
- (1) Only a public officer or a public employee upon whom the public officer has delegated authority shall, consistent with law, take actions including, but not limited to:
 - (a) Selecting state employees;
- (b) Approving position descriptions, performance standards, or salary adjustments for state employees; and
- (c) Hiring, promoting, disciplining, demoting, and dismissing a state employee.
- (2) Only a public officer shall, consistent with law, commission and appoint state officers.

Section 14. A contractor, as defined in chapter 287,
Florida Statutes, or its employees, agents, or subcontractors,
may not knowingly participate, through decision, approval,
disapproval, preparation of any part of a purchase request,
investigation, or auditing, in the procurement of contractual
services by an agency from an entity in which the contractor, or
its employees, agents, or subcontractors has a material
interest.

Section 15. The Center for Efficient Government and the Commission on Efficient Government shall terminate on July 1, 637389

2010, unless reenacted by the Legislature prior to that date. It is the intent of the Legislature that, beginning July 1, 2010, the various state agencies shall perform the review functions required under this act for procurements of contractual services under their jurisdiction. It is also the intent of the Legislature that beginning July 1, 2010, the positions authorized by this act shall remain with the Department of Management Services, which shall continue providing technical assistance as required in this act.

Section 16. Section 287.0572, Florida Statutes, is renumbered as section 287.0579, Florida Statutes:

287.0579 287.0572 Present-value methodology.--

- (1) The cost of bids, proposals, or replies for state contracts that include provisions for unequal payment streams or unequal time payment periods shall be evaluated using present-value methodology. Each agency, as defined in s. 287.012(1), shall perform the evaluation using the present-value discount rate supplied by the department. The present-value discount rate shall be the rate for United States Treasury notes and bonds published in the Interest Rates: Money and Capital Markets section of the most recent copy of the Federal Reserve Bulletin published at the time of issuance of the request for proposals, the invitation to negotiate, or the invitation to bid.
- (2) The department may adopt rules to administer subsection (1).
- Section 17. Subsection (3) of section 119.0721, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
 - 119.0721 Social security number exemption. --

676 An agency shall not deny a commercial entity engaged in the performance of a commercial activity, which, for purposes 677 of this subsection, means an activity that provides a product or 678 679 service that is available from a private source as defined in s. 14.203 or its agents, employees, or contractors access to social 680 681 security numbers, provided the social security numbers will be used only in the normal course of business for legitimate 682 683 business purposes, and provided the commercial entity makes a written request for social security numbers, verified as 684 provided in s. 92.525, legibly signed by an authorized officer, 685 686 employee, or agent of the commercial entity. The verified written request must contain the commercial entity's name, 687 688 business mailing and location addresses, business telephone 689 number, and a statement of the specific purposes for which it 690 needs the social security numbers and how the social security numbers will be used in the normal course of business for 691 legitimate business purposes. The aggregate of these requests 692 693 shall serve as the basis for the agency report required in subsection (7). An agency may request any other information as 694 695 may be reasonably necessary to verify the identity of the entity requesting the social security numbers and the specific purposes 696 697 for which such numbers will be used; however, an agency has no duty to inquire beyond the information contained in the verified 698 written request. A legitimate business purpose includes 699 verification of the accuracy of personal information received by 700 a commercial entity in the normal course of its business; use in 701 702 a civil, criminal, or administrative proceeding; use for 703 insurance purposes; use in law enforcement and investigation of 704 crimes; use in identifying and preventing fraud; use in 637389

matching, verifying, or retrieving information; and use in research activities. A legitimate business purpose does not include the display or bulk sale of social security numbers to the general public or the distribution of such numbers to any customer that is not identifiable by the distributor.

Section 18. Section 14.203, Florida Statutes, is repealed.

Section 19. There is hereby appropriated \$1,023,554 recurring budget authority to the Department of Management Services from the General Revenue Fund, and nine full-time equivalent positions are authorized, to carry out the activities of the Center for Efficient Government and the Commission on Efficient Government as provided in this act.

Section 20. This act shall take effect July 1, 2005.

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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to procurement of contractual services by an agency; amending s. 20.22, F.S.; placing the Center for Efficient Government in the Department of Management Services; creating s. 287.0571, F.S.; providing a popular name; providing legislative intent; providing that procurements of specified commodities and services are not subject to the act; providing specified applicability; creating s. 287.0573, F.S.; providing definitions; creating s. 287.0574, F.S.; providing criteria for the

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procurement of contractual services by an agency; requiring an agency to include with its final legislative budget request the business cases for specified procurements; creating s. 287.0575, F.S.; creating the Commission on Efficient Government within the Department of Management Services; providing for purpose, membership, and organization of the commission; providing duties and responsibilities of the commission; creating the Center for Efficient Government; providing purpose and organization of the center; providing duties and responsibilities of the center; requiring the center to recommend and implement a centralized gate process for reviewing, evaluating, and approving agency procurements; requiring state agencies to submit specified information, documents, and other materials required under commission rules; creating s. 287.0576, F.S.; specifying procurements which must be reviewed and evaluated under the centralized gate process; providing minimum requirements for the centralized gate process; providing for specified determinations by the commission at each gate; providing procedure with respect to an unfavorable finding by the commission with respect to a procurement required by law; providing that agencies under the individual control of the Attorney General, Chief Financial Officer, or Commissioner of Agriculture are subject to the act, with specified exceptions; providing authority of the agency head with respect to procurements by such agencies; establishing the gates within the centralized gate process; requiring agencies to submit specified documents

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for commission review at each gate; providing for nullification of executed contracts for procurement under specified circumstances; requiring the commission to take action at each gate within a specified time period; providing procedure if the commission does not take action within such time period; requiring the submission of annual status reports; creating s. 287.0577, F.S.; providing requirements for procurement of certain contractual services; requiring an agency to develop a business case which describes and analyzes a contractual services procurement under consideration; providing that the business case is not subject to challenge or protest under the Administrative Procedure Act; providing required components of a business case; defining "cost" and "savings"; providing requirements with respect to the solicitation for a contractual services procurement; providing contract requirements for a contractual services procurement; providing requirements with respect to contract amendments; providing that specified contract amendments must be submitted to the Executive Office of the Governor for approval; requiring notification of such submission to the chairs of the legislative appropriations committees; prohibiting the division of a contract amendment to avoid specified requirements; requiring documentation of contractor performance prior to renewal or extension of a contract; creating s. 287.0578, F.S.; providing for conditional supersession of the act; amending s. 287.057, F.S.; providing a requirement with respect to the composition of persons chosen to conduct

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negotiations during a specified competitive sealed reply procurement; creating s. 215.4211, F.S.; authorizing the Chief Financial Officer to review contracts for state agencies; creating s. 216.1817, F.S.; requiring the placement of full-time equivalent positions in reserve under certain conditions; providing for the reestablishment of full-time equivalent positions upon termination of a contract and reversion of functions and responsibilities to the agency; providing nonapplicability of the act with respect to the privatization of boards, commissions, or councils created within the Department of Business and Professional Regulation; creating s. 287.074, F.S.; providing that only public officers or employees must perform certain functions; providing restrictions on contractor involvement in the procurement of contractual services; providing for future termination of the Center for Efficient Government and the Commission on Efficient Government; providing legislative intent with respect to the performance of review functions and assistance to agencies for procurements of contractual services by state agencies after a specified date; providing that positions authorized under the act shall remain with the Department of Management Services after a specified date; repealing s. 14.203, F.S., which creates the State Council on Competitive Government and provides duties and authority of the council; providing an appropriation; providing full-time equivalent positions; amending s. 119.0721, F.S.; removing a cross reference; clarifying the meaning

of "commercial activity" to conform to the removal of the reference; providing an effective date.

WHEREAS, the private sector can often perform services with greater efficiency and effectiveness at a lower cost than the state, and

WHEREAS, the state has long been a leader in innovative practices, in part because of its partnerships with the private sector, and

WHEREAS, the state desires to reap the benefits of lower costs, high quality, and innovation by working closely with the private sector, and

WHEREAS, the state still maintains responsibility for ensuring that the services performed by the private sector on behalf of the state are of high quality, cost-effective, and appropriate functions for the private sector, and

WHEREAS, leading businesses have developed best practices to determine what to obtain from the market and how to ensure that such services are provided at the desired quality and at the appropriate cost, and

WHEREAS, the executive branch has made great progress in promoting the use of such best practices, and the citizens of the state could benefit by the increased adoption across state government of such best practices, NOW, THEREFORE,