

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to the Hillsborough County Aviation
 3 Authority; amending chapter 2003-370, Laws of Florida,
 4 relating to the award of contracts; increasing the minimum
 5 amount at which certain contracts are subject to
 6 competitive bidding or require sureties; providing an
 7 effective date.

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

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 11 Section 1. Paragraphs (a), (b), and (c) of subsection (1)
 12 of section 11 of section 3 of chapter 2003-370, Laws of Florida,
 13 are amended to read:

14 Section 11. Award of contracts.--

15 (1) (a) Except when done by employees of the Authority or
 16 by labor supplied under agreement with the federal, state, or
 17 local government or when required by or using the Consultants'
 18 Competitive Negotiation Act, all construction, improvements,
 19 repairs, or work of any nature done by the Authority, where the
 20 entire cost or value exceeds \$30,000 ~~\$15,000~~, shall be done only
 21 under contract or contracts entered into by the Authority with
 22 the lowest responsive bid from a qualified responsible bidder
 23 upon proper terms, after advertisement has been given asking for
 24 competitive bids, provided that the Authority may reject any and
 25 all bids.

26 (b) Any contract subject to section 255.05, Florida
 27 Statutes, as may be amended from time to time, in excess of
 28 \$50,000 ~~\$15,000~~ shall not be entered into for construction,

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29 | improvement, or repair of Authority facilities unless the
30 | contractor has sufficient surety or sureties, approved by the
31 | Authority, and in an amount fixed by the Authority, for the
32 | faithful performance of the contract. Any such contract shall
33 | include provisions that the person entering into the contract
34 | with the Authority will pay for all materials furnished and
35 | services rendered for the performance of the contract and may
36 | maintain an action to recover for the same against the obligor
37 | in the undertaking, as though such person was named therein,
38 | provided the action is brought within 1 year after the time the
39 | cause of action accrued. Nothing in this section shall be
40 | construed to limit the power of the Authority to construct,
41 | repair, or improve Authority facilities or any addition,
42 | betterment, or extension thereto, directly by the officers,
43 | agents, and employees of the Authority, or otherwise than by
44 | contract.

45 | (c) All supplies and materials costing in excess of
46 | \$30,000 ~~\$15,000~~ shall be purchased only after advertisement. The
47 | Authority shall accept the lowest responsive bid from a
48 | responsible bidder, kind, quality, and material being equal, but
49 | the Authority has the right to reject any or all bids or select
50 | a single item from any bid.

51 | Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.