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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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The Policy and Steering Committee on Ways and Means (Diaz de la Portilla) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Between lines 7651 and 7652
insert:
Section 247. Section 287.084, Florida Statutes, is amended
to read:
287.084 Preference to Florida businesses.—
(1) When an agency, county, municipality, school district,
or other political subdivision of the state is required to make
purchases of personal property through competitive solicitation
and the lowest responsible and responsive bid, proposal, or
reply is by a vendor whose principal place of business is in a



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13 state or political subdivision thereof which grants a preference
14 for the purchase of such personal property to a person whose
15 principal place of business is in such state, then the agency,
16 county, municipality, school district, or other political
17 subdivision of this state may award a preference to the lowest
18 responsible and responsive vendor having a principal place of
19 business within this state, which preference is equal to the
20 preference granted by the state or political subdivision thereof
21 in which the lowest responsible and responsive vendor has its
22 principal place of business. However, this section does not
23 apply to transportation projects for which federal aid funds are
24 available.

25 (2) If a solicitation provides for the granting of such
26 preference as is provided in this section, any vendor whose
27 principal place of business is outside the State of Florida must
28 accompany any written bid, proposal, or reply documents with a
29 written opinion of an attorney at law licensed to practice law
30 in that foreign state, as to the preferences, if any or none,
31 granted by the law of that state to its own business entities
32 whose principal places of business are in that foreign state in
33 the letting of any or all public contracts.

34 (3) In a competitive solicitation in which the lowest bid
35 is submitted by a vendor whose principal place of business is
36 located outside this state and the state in which the vendor's
37 principal place of business is located does not grant a
38 preference in competitive solicitation to vendors having a
39 principal place of business in that state, the preference to the
40 lowest responsible and responsive vendor having a principal
41 place of business in this state shall be 5 percent.



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And the title is amended as follows:

Delete line 64

and insert:

and 287.0834, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes
made by the act; amending s. 287.084, F.S.; specifying
the percentage that constitutes the required
preference in a competitive bid solicitation when the
lowest bid is submitted by a vendor whose principal
place of business is located outside this state;
amending ss. 287.0943, 287.09451, 287.131, 287.133,