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2 An act relating to procurement; amending s. 287.012, F.S.; 3 revising, eliminating, and providing definitions; amending 4 s. 287.017, F.S.; revising the threshold amounts for state 5 purchasing categories; eliminating a requirement that the 6 Department of Management Services adopt rules to adjust 7 the threshold amounts; repealing s. 287.045, F.S., 8 relating to procurement of products and materials with 9 recycled content; amending s. 287.057, F.S.; revising and 10 organizing provisions relating to the procurement of 11 commodities and contractual services by the state; specifying authorized uses for competitive solicitation 12 13 processes; providing procedures and requirements with 14 respect to competitive solicitation; specifying types of 15 procurements for which invitations to bid, requests for 16 proposals, and invitations to negotiate are to be utilized 17 and providing procedures and requirements with respect thereto; revising contractual services and commodities 18 19 that are not subject to competitive-solicitation requirements; prohibiting an agency from dividing the 20 21 solicitation of commodities or contractual services in 22 order to avoid specified requirements; authorizing a 23 renewal of contracts for community-based care lead agency 24 services for a specified term under certain conditions; 25 eliminating eligibility of persons who receive specified 26 contracts that were not subject to competitive procurement 27 to contract with an agency for any other contracts dealing 28 with the specific subject matter of the original contract;

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29 amending s. 287.0571, F.S.; revising applicability of ss. 30 287.0571-287.0574, F.S.; specifying procurements and 31 contracts to which s. 287.0571, F.S., relating to agency 32 business cases for outsourcing of specified projects, does not apply; requiring an agency to complete a business case 33 34 for any outsourcing project with an expected cost in 35 excess of a specified amount within a single fiscal year; 36 providing for the submission of the business case in 37 accordance with provisions governing the submission of 38 agency legislative budget requests; providing that a 39 business case is not subject to challenge; providing required components of a business case; specifying 40 required provisions for a contract for a proposed 41 42 outsourcing; repealing s. 287.05721, F.S.; eliminating 43 definitions; creating s. 287.0575, F.S.; establishing 44 duties and responsibilities of the Department of Children and Family Services, the Agency for Persons with 45 Disabilities, the Department of Health, the Department of 46 47 Elderly Affairs, and the Florida Department of Veterans Affairs, and service providers under contract to those 48 49 agencies, with respect to coordination of contracted 50 services; requiring state agencies contracting for health 51 and human services to notify their contract service 52 providers of certain requirements by a specified date or 53 upon entering into any new contract for health and human 54 services; requiring service providers that have more than 55 one contract with one or more state agencies to provide 56 health and human services to provide each of their

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57 contract managers with a comprehensive list of their 58 health and human services contracts by a specified date; 59 specifying information to be contained in the list; 60 providing for assignment, by a specified date, of a single lead administrative coordinator for each service provider 61 62 from among agencies having multiple health and human 63 services contracts; requiring the lead administrative 64 coordinator to provide notice of his or her designation to 65 the service provider and to the agency contract managers 66 for each affected contract; providing the method of 67 selection of lead administrative coordinator; providing responsibilities of the designated lead administrative 68 coordinator; providing duties of contract managers for 69 70 agency contracts; providing nonapplicability; requiring 71 annual performance evaluations of designated lead 72 administrative coordinators by each agency contracting for 73 health and human services; providing for a report; 74 repealing s. 287.0573, F.S., which establishes the Council 75 on Efficient Government and provides membership and duties 76 thereof; repealing s. 287.0574, F.S.; eliminating 77 provisions relating to business cases to outsource, review 78 and analysis conducted thereunder, and requirements 79 thereof that are relocated in other sections of Florida 80 Statutes set forth in this act; amending ss. 283.32 and 81 403.7065, F.S.; conforming provisions to the repeal of s. 287.045, F.S.; relating to procurement of products and 82 materials with recycled content; amending ss. 14.204, 83 84 43.16, 61.1826, 112.3215, 255.25, 283.33, 286.0113,

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| 85 | 287.022, 287.058, 287.059, 295.187, 394.457, 394.47865, |
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| 86 | 402.40, 402.7305, 408.045, 427.0135, 445.024, 481.205, |
| 87 | 570.07, 627.311, 627.351, 765.5155, 893.055, and 1013.38, |
| 88 | F.S, s. 21, ch. 2009-55, Laws of Florida, and s. 31, ch. |
| 89 | 2009-223, Laws of Florida; conforming cross-references; |
| 90 | providing an effective date. |
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| 92 | Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: |
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| 94 | Section 1. Section 287.012, Florida Statutes, is amended |
| 95 | to read: |
| 96 | 287.012 Definitions.—As used in this part, the term: |
| 97 | (1) "Agency" means any of the various state officers, |
| 98 | departments, boards, commissions, divisions, bureaus, and |
| 99 | councils and any other unit of organization, however designated, |
| 100 | of the executive branch of state government. "Agency" does not |
| 101 | include the university and college boards of trustees or the |
| 102 | state universities and colleges. |
| 103 | (2) "Agency head" means, with respect to an agency headed |
| 104 | by a collegial body, the executive director or chief |
| 105 | administrative officer of the agency. |
| 106 | (3) "Artist" means an individual or group of individuals |
| 107 | who profess and practice a demonstrated creative talent and |
| 108 | skill in the area of music, dance, drama, folk art, creative |
| 109 | writing, painting, sculpture, photography, graphic arts, craft |
| 110 | arts, industrial design, costume design, fashion design, motion |
| 111 | pictures, television, radio, or tape and sound recording or in |
| 112 | any other related field. |
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113 <u>(3) (4)</u> "Best value" means the highest overall value to the 114 state based on objective factors that include, but are not 115 limited to, price, quality, design, and workmanship.

(4) (5) "Commodity" means any of the various supplies, 116 117 materials, goods, merchandise, food, equipment, information technology, and other personal property, including a mobile 118 119 home, trailer, or other portable structure with floor space of less than 5,000 square feet, purchased, leased, or otherwise 120 contracted for by the state and its agencies. "Commodity" also 121 includes interest on deferred-payment commodity contracts 122 123 approved pursuant to s. 287.063 entered into by an agency for 124 the purchase of other commodities. However, commodities 125 purchased for resale are excluded from this definition. Further, 126 a prescribed drug, medical supply, or device required by a 127 licensed health care provider as a part of providing health 128 services involving examination, diagnosis, treatment, 129 prevention, medical consultation, or administration for clients 130 at the time the service is provided is not considered to be a 131 "commodity." Printing of publications shall be considered a 132 commodity when let upon contract pursuant to s. 283.33, whether 133 purchased for resale or not.

134 <u>(5)(6)</u> "Competitive <u>solicitation</u> scaled bids,"
135 "competitive sealed proposals," or "competitive sealed replies"
136 means the process of <u>requesting and</u> receiving two or more sealed
137 bids, proposals, or replies submitted by responsive vendors <u>in</u>
138 <u>accordance with the terms of a competitive process, regardless</u>
139 <u>of the method of procurement</u> and includes bids, proposals, or
140 replies transmitted by electronic means in lieu of or in

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141 addition to written bids, proposals, or replies.

142 (7) "Competitive solicitation" or "solicitation" means an 143 invitation to bid, a request for proposals, or an invitation to 144 negotiate.

145 <u>(6) (8)</u> "Contractor" means a person who contracts to sell 146 commodities or contractual services to an agency.

147 (7) (9) "Contractual service" means the rendering by a 148 contractor of its time and effort rather than the furnishing of 149 specific commodities. The term applies only to those services 150 rendered by individuals and firms who are independent 151 contractors, and such services may include, but are not limited 152 to, evaluations; consultations; maintenance; accounting; 153 security; management systems; management consulting; educational 154 training programs; research and development studies or reports 155 on the findings of consultants engaged thereunder; and 156 professional, technical, and social services. "Contractual 157 service" does not include any contract for the furnishing of 158 labor or materials for the construction, renovation, repair, 159 modification, or demolition of any facility, building, portion 160 of building, utility, park, parking lot, or structure or other 161 improvement to real property entered into pursuant to chapter 162 255 and rules adopted thereunder.

163 <u>(8) (10)</u> "Department" means the Department of Management 164 Services.

165 <u>(9) (11)</u> "Electronic posting" or "electronically post" 166 means the <u>noticing</u> posting of solicitations, agency decisions or 167 intended decisions, or other matters relating to procurement on 168 a centralized Internet website designated by the department for

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169 this purpose.

170 (10) (12) "Eligible user" means any person or entity
 171 authorized by the department pursuant to rule to purchase from
 172 state term contracts or to use the online procurement system.

173 (11) (13) "Exceptional purchase" means any purchase of 174 commodities or contractual services excepted by law or rule from 175 the requirements for competitive solicitation, including, but 176 not limited to, purchases from a single source; purchases upon 177 receipt of less than two responsive bids, proposals, or replies; purchases made by an agency, after receiving approval from the 178 department, from a contract procured, pursuant to s. 287.057(1), 179 180 (2), or (3), or by another agency; and purchases made without advertisement in the manner required by s. 287.042(3)(b). 181

182 (12) (14) "Extension" means an increase in the time allowed 183 for the contract period due to circumstances which, without 184 fault of either party, make performance impracticable or 185 impossible, or which prevent a new contract from being executed, 186 with or without a proportional increase in the total dollar 187 amount, with any increase to be based on the method and rate 188 previously established in the contract.

189 (13)(15) "Information technology" has the meaning ascribed 190 in s. 282.0041.

191 <u>(14) (16)</u> "Invitation to bid" means a written <u>or</u> 192 <u>electronically posted</u> solicitation for competitive sealed bids. 193 The invitation to bid is used when the agency is capable of 194 specifically defining the scope of work for which a contractual 195 service is required or when the agency is capable of 196 establishing precise specifications defining the actual

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| 197 | commodity or group of commodities required. A written |
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| 198 | solicitation includes a solicitation that is electronically |
| 199 | posted. |
| 200 | (15) (17) "Invitation to negotiate" means a written <u>or</u> |
| 201 | electronically posted solicitation for competitive sealed |
| 202 | replies to select one or more vendors with which to commence |
| 203 | negotiations for the procurement of commodities or contractual |
| 204 | services. The invitation to negotiate is used when the agency |
| 205 | determines that negotiations may be necessary for the state to |
| 206 | receive the best value. A written solicitation includes a |
| 207 | solicitation that is electronically posted. |
| 208 | (16) (18) "Minority business enterprise" has the meaning |
| 209 | ascribed in s. 288.703. |
| 210 | (17) (19) "Office" means the Office of Supplier Diversity |
| 211 | of the Department of Management Services. |
| 212 | (18) "Outsource" means the process of contracting with a |
| 213 | vendor to provide a service as defined in s. 216.011(1)(f), in |
| 214 | whole or in part, or an activity as defined in s. |
| 215 | 216.011(1)(rr), while a state agency retains the responsibility |
| 216 | and accountability for the service or activity and there is a |
| 217 | transfer of management responsibility for the delivery of |
| 218 | resources and the performance of those resources. |
| 219 | (19) (20) "Renewal" means contracting with the same |
| 220 | contractor for an additional contract period after the initial |
| 221 | contract period, only if pursuant to contract terms specifically |
| 222 | providing for such renewal. |
| 223 | (20) (21) "Request for information" means a written <u>or</u> |
| 224 | <u>electronically posted</u> request made by an agency to vendors for |
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information concerning commodities or contractual services.
Responses to these requests are not offers and may not be
accepted by the agency to form a binding contract.

228 (21) (22) "Request for proposals" means a written or 229 electronically posted solicitation for competitive sealed 230 proposals. The request for proposals is used when it is not 231 practicable for the agency to specifically define the scope of 232 work for which the commodity, group of commodities, or 233 contractual service is required and when the agency is 234 requesting that a responsible vendor propose a commodity, group of commodities, or contractual service to meet the 235 236 specifications of the solicitation document. A written 237 solicitation includes a solicitation that is electronically 238 posted.

239 <u>(22)(23)</u> "Request for a quote" means an oral or written 240 request for written pricing or services information from a state 241 term contract vendor for commodities or contractual services 242 available on a state term contract from that vendor.

243 <u>(23) (24)</u> "Responsible vendor" means a vendor who has the 244 capability in all respects to fully perform the contract 245 requirements and the integrity and reliability that will assure 246 good faith performance.

247 <u>(24) (25)</u> "Responsive bid," "responsive proposal," or 248 "responsive reply" means a bid, or proposal, or reply submitted 249 by a responsive and responsible vendor that conforms in all 250 material respects to the solicitation.

251 <u>(25)(26)</u> "Responsive vendor" means a vendor that has 252 submitted a bid, proposal, or reply that conforms in all

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281 previous calendar year data. Section 3. Section 287.045, Florida Statutes, is repealed. 282 283 Section 4. Section 287.057, Florida Statutes, is amended 284 to read: 285 287.057 Procurement of commodities or contractual 286 services.-287 (1) PROCUREMENT PROCESSES. - The competitive solicitation 288 processes authorized in this section shall be used for 289 procurement of commodities or contractual services in excess of 290 the threshold amount provided for CATEGORY TWO in s. 287.017. 291 Any competitive solicitation shall be made available 292 simultaneously to all vendors, must include the time and date 293 for the receipt of bids, proposals, or replies and of the public 294 opening, and must include all contractual terms and conditions 295 applicable to the procurement, including the criteria to be used 296 in determining acceptability and relative merit of the bid, 297 proposal, or reply. 298 Invitation to bid.-The invitation to bid shall be used (a) 299 when the agency is capable of specifically defining the scope of work for which a contractual service is required or when the 300 301 agency is capable of establishing precise specifications 302 defining the actual commodity or group of commodities required. 303 1. All invitations to bid must include: a. A detailed description of the commodities or 304 305 contractual services sought; and 306 b. If the agency contemplates renewal of the contract, a 307 statement to that effect. 308 2. Bids submitted in response to an invitation to bid in Page 11 of 74

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| 309 | which the agency contemplates renewal of the contract must |
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| 310 | include the price for each year for which the contract may be |
| 311 | renewed. |
| 312 | 3. Evaluation of bids shall include consideration of the |
| 313 | total cost for each year of the contract, including renewal |
| 314 | years, as submitted by the vendor. |
| 315 | (b) Request for proposals.—An agency shall use a request |
| 316 | for proposals when the purposes and uses for which the |
| 317 | commodity, group of commodities, or contractual service being |
| 318 | sought can be specifically defined and the agency is capable of |
| 319 | identifying necessary deliverables. Various combinations or |
| 320 | versions of commodities or contractual services may be proposed |
| 321 | by a responsive vendor to meet the specifications of the |
| 322 | solicitation document. |
| 323 | 1. Before issuing a request for proposals, the agency must |
| 324 | determine and specify in writing the reasons that procurement by |
| 325 | invitation to bid is not practicable. |
| 326 | 2. All requests for proposals must include: |
| 327 | a. A statement describing the commodities or contractual |
| 328 | services sought; |
| 329 | b. The relative importance of price and other evaluation |
| 330 | criteria; and |
| 331 | c. If the agency contemplates renewal of the contract, a |
| 332 | statement to that effect. |
| 333 | 3. Criteria that will be used for evaluation of proposals |
| 334 | shall include, but are not limited to: |
| 335 | a. Price, which must be specified in the proposal; |
| 336 | b. If the agency contemplates renewal of the contract, the |
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337 price for each year for which the contract may be renewed; and 338 c. Consideration of the total cost for each year of the 339 contract, including renewal years, as submitted by the vendor. 340 4. The contract shall be awarded by written notice to the 341 responsible and responsive vendor whose proposal is determined 342 in writing to be the most advantageous to the state, taking into 343 consideration the price and other criteria set forth in the 344 request for proposals. The contract file shall contain 345 documentation supporting the basis on which the award is made. 346 (c) Invitation to negotiate.-The invitation to negotiate 347 is a solicitation used by an agency intended to determine the 348 best method for achieving a specific goal or solving a 349 particular problem and that identifies one or more responsive 350 vendors with which the agency may negotiate in order to receive 351 the best value. 352 1. Before issuing an invitation to negotiate, the head of 353 an agency must determine and specify in writing the reasons that 354 procurement by either an invitation to bid or a request for 355 proposal is not practicable. 356 2. The invitation to negotiate must describe the questions 357 being explored, the facts being sought, and the specific goals 358 or problems that are the subject of the solicitation. 359 The criteria that will be used for determining the 3. 360 acceptability of the reply and guiding the selection of the 361 vendors with which the agency will negotiate must be specified. 362 4. The agency shall evaluate and rank responsive replies 363 against all evaluation criteria set forth in the invitation to 364 negotiate and shall, based on the ranking, select one or more

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365 vendors with which to commence negotiations. After negotiations 366 are conducted, the agency shall award the contract to the 367 responsible and responsive vendor that the agency determines 368 will provide the best value to the state. 369 5. The contract file for a vendor selected through an 370 invitation to negotiate must contain a short plain statement 371 that explains the basis for the selection of the vendor and that 372 sets forth the vendor's deliverables and price, pursuant to the 373 contract, with an explanation of how these deliverables and 374 price provide the best value to the state. 375 (1) (a) Unless otherwise authorized by law, all contracts 376 for the purchase of commodities or contractual services in 377 excess of the threshold amount provided in s. 287.017 for 378 CATEGORY TWO shall be awarded by competitive sealed bidding. An 379 invitation to bid shall be made available simultaneously to all 380 vendors and must include a detailed description of the 381 commodities or contractual services sought; the time and date 382 for the receipt of bids and of the public opening; and all 383 contractual terms and conditions applicable to the procurement, 384 including the criteria to be used in determining acceptability 385 of the bid. If the agency contemplates renewal of the contract, 386 that fact must be stated in the invitation to bid. The bid shall 387 include the price for each year for which the contract may be renewed. Evaluation of bids shall include consideration of the 388 389 total cost for each year as submitted by the vendor. Criteria 390 that were not set forth in the invitation to bid may not be used 391 in determining acceptability of the bid. 392 The contract shall be awarded with reasonable (b)

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393 promptness by written notice to the responsible and responsive 394 vendor that submits the lowest responsive bid. This bid must be 395 determined in writing to meet the requirements and criteria set 396 forth in the invitation to bid.

397 (2) (a) If an agency determines in writing that the use of 398 an invitation to bid is not practicable, commodities or 399 contractual services shall be procured by competitive sealed 400 proposals. A request for proposals shall be made available 401 simultaneously to all vendors, and must include a statement of 402 the commodities or contractual services sought; the time and 403 date for the receipt of proposals and of the public opening; and 404 all contractual terms and conditions applicable to the 405 procurement, including the criteria, which shall include, but need not be limited to, price, to be used in determining 406 407 acceptability of the proposal. The relative importance of price 408 and other evaluation criteria shall be indicated. If the agency 409 contemplates renewal of the commodities or contractual services 410 contract, that fact must be stated in the request for proposals. 411 The proposal shall include the price for each year for which the contract may be renewed. Evaluation of proposals shall include 412 413 consideration of the total cost for each year as submitted by 414 the vendor.

(b) The contract shall be awarded to the responsible and responsive vendor whose proposal is determined in writing to be the most advantageous to the state, taking into consideration the price and the other criteria set forth in the request for proposals. The contract file shall contain documentation supporting the basis on which the award is made.

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421 (3) (a) If the agency determines in writing that the use 422 an invitation to bid or a request for proposals will not result 423 in the best value to the state, the agency may procure 424 commodities and contractual services by competitive sealed 425 replies. The agency's written determination must specify reasons 426 that explain why negotiation may be necessary in order for the 427 state to achieve the best value and must be approved in writing 428 by the agency head or his or her designee prior to the 429 advertisement of an invitation to negotiate. An invitation to 430 negotiate shall be made available to all vendors simultaneously 431 and must include a statement of the commodities or contractual 432 services sought; the time and date for the receipt of replies 433 and of the public opening; and all terms and conditions applicable to the procurement, including the criteria to be used 434 435 in determining the acceptability of the reply. If the agency 436 contemplates renewal of the contract, that fact must be stated 437 in the invitation to negotiate. The reply shall include the 438 price for each year for which the contract may be renewed. 439 (b) The agency shall evaluate and rank responsive replies 440 against all evaluation criteria set forth in the invitation to 441 negotiate and shall select, based on the ranking, one or more

442 vendors with which to commence negotiations. After negotiations 443 are conducted, the agency shall award the contract to the 444 responsible and responsive vendor that the agency determines 445 will provide the best value to the state. The contract file must 446 contain a short plain statement that explains the basis for 447 vendor selection and that sets forth the vendor's deliverables 448 and price, pursuant to the contract, with an explanation of how

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449 these deliverables and price provide the best value to the 450 state.

451 <u>(2)(4)</u> Prior to the time for receipt of bids, proposals, 452 or replies, an agency may conduct a conference or written 453 question and answer period for purposes of assuring the vendor's 454 full understanding of the solicitation requirements. The vendors 455 shall be accorded fair and equal treatment.

456 <u>(3)(5)</u> When the purchase price of commodities or 457 contractual services exceeds the threshold amount provided in s. 458 287.017 for CATEGORY TWO, no purchase of commodities or 459 contractual services may be made without receiving competitive 460 sealed bids, competitive sealed proposals, or competitive sealed 461 replies unless:

462 The agency head determines in writing that an (a) 463 immediate danger to the public health, safety, or welfare or 464 other substantial loss to the state requires emergency action. 465 After the agency head makes such a written determination, the 466 agency may proceed with the procurement of commodities or 467 contractual services necessitated by the immediate danger, 468 without receiving competitive sealed bids, competitive sealed 469 proposals, or competitive sealed replies. However, such 470 emergency procurement shall be made by obtaining pricing 471 information from at least two prospective vendors, which must be retained in the contract file, unless the agency determines in 472 473 writing that the time required to obtain pricing information 474 will increase the immediate danger to the public health, safety, 475 or welfare or other substantial loss to the state. The agency shall furnish copies of all written determinations certified 476

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477 under oath and any other documents relating to the emergency 478 action to the department. A copy of the statement shall be 479 furnished to the Chief Financial Officer with the voucher 480 authorizing payment. The individual purchase of personal 481 clothing, shelter, or supplies which are needed on an emergency 482 basis to avoid institutionalization or placement in a more 483 restrictive setting is an emergency for the purposes of this 484 paragraph, and the filing with the department of such statement 485 is not required in such circumstances. In the case of the 486 emergency purchase of insurance, the period of coverage of such 487 insurance shall not exceed a period of 30 days, and all such 488 emergency purchases shall be reported to the department.

(b) The purchase is made by an agency from a state term contract procured, pursuant to this section, by the department or by an agency, after receiving approval from the department, from a contract procured, pursuant to subsection (1), subsection (2), or subsection (3), by another agency.

494 Commodities or contractual services available only (C) 495 from a single source may be excepted from the competitive-496 solicitation requirements. When an agency believes that 497 commodities or contractual services are available only from a 498 single source, the agency shall electronically post a 499 description of the commodities or contractual services sought for a period of at least 7 business days. The description must 500 include a request that prospective vendors provide information 501 regarding their ability to supply the commodities or contractual 502 services described. If it is determined in writing by the 503 504 agency, after reviewing any information received from

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505 prospective vendors, that the commodities or contractual 506 services are available only from a single source, the agency 507 shall:

Provide notice of its intended decision to enter a
 single-source purchase contract in the manner specified in s.
 120.57(3), if the amount of the contract does not exceed the
 threshold amount provided in s. 287.017 for CATEGORY FOUR.

512 2. Request approval from the department for the single-513 source purchase, if the amount of the contract exceeds the 514 threshold amount provided in s. 287.017 for CATEGORY FOUR. The 515 agency shall initiate its request for approval in a form 516 prescribed by the department, which request may be 517 electronically transmitted. The failure of the department to 518 approve or disapprove the agency's request for approval within 519 21 days after receiving such request shall constitute prior 520 approval of the department. If the department approves the 521 agency's request, the agency shall provide notice of its 522 intended decision to enter a single-source contract in the 523 manner specified in s. 120.57(3).

(d) When it is in the best interest of the state, the secretary of the department or his or her designee may authorize the Support Program to purchase insurance by negotiation, but such purchase shall be made only under conditions most favorable to the public interest.

(e) Prescriptive assistive devices for the purpose of
medical, developmental, or vocational rehabilitation of clients
are excepted from competitive-solicitation requirements and
shall be procured pursuant to an established fee schedule or by

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any other method which ensures the best price for the state, taking into consideration the needs of the client. Prescriptive assistive devices include, but are not limited to, prosthetics, orthotics, and wheelchairs. For purchases made pursuant to this paragraph, state agencies shall annually file with the department a description of the purchases and methods of procurement.

(f) The following contractual services and commodities are not subject to the competitive-solicitation requirements of this section:

1. Artistic services. For the purposes of this subsection, the term "artistic services" does not include advertising. As used in this subparagraph, the term "advertising" means the making of a representation in any form in connection with a trade, business, craft, or profession in order to promote the supply of commodities or services by the person promoting the commodities or contractual services.

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2. Academic program reviews.

3. Lectures by individuals.

552 4. Auditing services.

553 5. Legal services, including attorney, paralegal, expert 554 witness, appraisal, or mediator services.

6. Health services involving examination, diagnosis,
treatment, prevention, <u>or</u> medical consultation, <u>when such</u>
<u>services are offered to eligible individuals participating in a</u>
<u>specific program that qualifies multiple providers and utilizes</u>
<u>a standard payment methodology</u> or administration.
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561 disabilities by not-for-profit corporations which have obtained 562 exemptions under the provisions of s. 501(c)(3) of the United 563 States Internal Revenue Code or when such services are governed 564 by the provisions of Office of Management and Budget Circular A-565 122. However, in acquiring such services, the agency shall consider the ability of the vendor, past performance, 566 567 willingness to meet time requirements, and price. 568 7.8. Medicaid services delivered to an eligible Medicaid 569 recipient unless the agency is directed otherwise in law by a 570 health care provider who has not previously applied for and 571 received a Medicaid provider number from the Agency for Health 572 Care Administration. However, this exception shall be valid for 573 a period not to exceed 90 days after the date of delivery to the 574 Medicaid recipient and shall not be renewed by the agency. 575 8.9. Family placement services. 576 10. Prevention services related to mental health, 577 including drug abuse prevention programs, child abuse prevention 578 programs, and shelters for runaways, operated by not-for-profit 579 corporations. However, in acquiring such services, the agency 580 shall consider the ability of the vendor, past performance, 581 willingness to meet time requirements, and price. 582 9.11. Training and education services provided to injured 583 employees pursuant to s. 440.491(6). 10.12. Contracts entered into pursuant to s. 337.11. 584 11.13. Services or commodities provided by governmental 585 586 agencies. Continuing education events or programs that are 587 (a) 588 offered to the general public and for which fees have been Page 21 of 74

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589 collected that pay all expenses associated with the event or 590 program are exempt from requirements for competitive 591 solicitation.

592 (4) (4) (6) If less than two responsive bids, proposals, or 593 replies for commodity or contractual services purchases are 594 received, the department or other agency may negotiate on the 595 best terms and conditions. The department or other agency shall 596 document the reasons that such action is in the best interest of 597 the state in lieu of resoliciting competitive sealed bids, 598 proposals, or replies. Each agency shall report all such actions to the department on a quarterly basis, in a manner and form 599 600 prescribed by the department.

(5) (7) Upon issuance of any solicitation, an agency shall, 601 602 upon request by the department, forward to the department one copy of each solicitation for all commodity and contractual 603 604 services purchases in excess of the threshold amount provided in 605 s. 287.017 for CATEGORY TWO. An agency shall also, upon request, 606 furnish a copy of all competitive-solicitation tabulations. The 607 Office of Supplier Diversity may also request from the agencies 608 any information submitted to the department pursuant to this 609 subsection.

610 <u>(6)(8)(a)</u> In order to strive to meet the minority business 611 enterprise procurement goals set forth in s. 287.09451, an 612 agency may reserve any contract for competitive solicitation 613 only among certified minority business enterprises. Agencies 614 shall review all their contracts each fiscal year and shall 615 determine which contracts may be reserved for solicitation only 616 among certified minority business enterprises. This reservation

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617 may only be used when it is determined, by reasonable and 618 objective means, before the solicitation that there are capable, 619 qualified certified minority business enterprises available to 620 submit a bid, proposal, or reply on a contract to provide for 621 effective competition. The Office of Supplier Diversity shall 622 consult with any agency in reaching such determination when 623 deemed appropriate.

624 Before a contract may be reserved for solicitation (b) 625 only among certified minority business enterprises, the agency head must find that such a reservation is in the best interests 626 627 of the state. All determinations shall be subject to s. 628 287.09451(5). Once a decision has been made to reserve a contract, but before sealed bids, proposals, or replies are 629 630 requested, the agency shall estimate what it expects the amount 631 of the contract to be, based on the nature of the services or 632 commodities involved and their value under prevailing market 633 conditions. If all the sealed bids, proposals, or replies 634 received are over this estimate, the agency may reject the bids, proposals, or replies and request new ones from certified 635 636 minority business enterprises, or the agency may reject the 637 bids, proposals, or replies and reopen the bidding to all 638 eligible vendors.

(c) All agencies shall consider the use of price
preferences of up to 10 percent, weighted preference formulas,
or other preferences for vendors as determined appropriate
pursuant to guidelines established in accordance with s.
287.09451(4) to increase the participation of minority business
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(d) All agencies shall avoid any undue concentration of
contracts or purchases in categories of commodities or
contractual services in order to meet the minority business
enterprise purchasing goals in s. 287.09451.

649 (7) (9) An agency may reserve any contract for competitive 650 solicitation only among vendors who agree to use certified 651 minority business enterprises as subcontractors or subvendors. 652 The percentage of funds, in terms of gross contract amount and 653 revenues, which must be expended with the certified minority 654 business enterprise subcontractors and subvendors shall be 655 determined by the agency before such contracts may be reserved. 656 In order to bid on a contract so reserved, the vendor shall 657 identify those certified minority business enterprises which 658 will be utilized as subcontractors or subvendors by sworn 659 statement. At the time of performance or project completion, the 660 contractor shall report by sworn statement the payments and 661 completion of work for all certified minority business 662 enterprises used in the contract.

 $\begin{array}{c|c} \hline & (8) \hline (10) \\ \hline & \text{An agency shall not divide the solicitation} \\ \hline & \text{bf} \\ \hline & \text{procurement} \\ \hline & \text{of commodities or contractual services so as to} \\ \hline & \text{avoid the requirements of subsections } \underline{(1) - (3)} \\ \hline & (1) \\ \hline & \text{through } (5) \\ \hline & (5) \\ \hline & (5) \\ \hline & (1) \\ \hline & (5) \\ \hline \hline$

666 (9)(11) A contract for commodities or contractual services
 667 may be awarded without competition if state or federal law
 668 prescribes with whom the agency must contract or if the rate of
 669 payment is established during the appropriations process.

670 (10) (12) If two equal responses to a solicitation or a
671 request for quote are received and one response is from a
672 certified minority business enterprise, the agency shall enter

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673 into a contract with the certified minority business enterprise.

674 <u>(11)(13)</u> Extension of a contract for contractual services 675 shall be in writing for a period not to exceed 6 months and 676 shall be subject to the same terms and conditions set forth in 677 the initial contract. There shall be only one extension of a 678 contract unless the failure to meet the criteria set forth in 679 the contract for completion of the contract is due to events 680 beyond the control of the contractor.

681 (12) (14) (a) Contracts for commodities or contractual 682 services may be renewed for a period that may not exceed 3 years 683 or the term of the original contract, whichever period is 684 longer. Renewal of a contract for commodities or contractual services shall be in writing and shall be subject to the same 685 686 terms and conditions set forth in the initial contract. If the 687 commodity or contractual service is purchased as a result of the 688 solicitation of bids, proposals, or replies, the price of the 689 commodity or contractual service to be renewed shall be 690 specified in the bid, proposal, or reply. A renewal contract may 691 not include any compensation for costs associated with the 692 renewal. Renewals shall be contingent upon satisfactory 693 performance evaluations by the agency and subject to the 694 availability of funds. Exceptional purchase contracts pursuant 695 to paragraphs (3) (5) (a) and (c) may not be renewed. With the 696 exception of subsection $(11)\frac{(13)}{(13)}$, if a contract amendment 697 results in a longer contract term or increased payments, a state 698 agency may not renew or amend a contract for the outsourcing of a service or activity that has an original term value exceeding 699 700 the sum of \$10 million before submitting a written report

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701 concerning contract performance to the Governor, the President 702 of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives 703 at least 90 days before execution of the renewal or amendment. 704 The Department of Health shall enter into an (b) 705 agreement, not to exceed 20 years, with a private contractor to 706 finance, design, and construct a hospital, of no more than 50 707 beds, for the treatment of patients with active tuberculosis and 708 to operate all aspects of daily operations within the facility. 709 The contractor may sponsor the issuance of tax-exempt 710 certificates of participation or other securities to finance the 711 project, and the state may enter into a lease-purchase agreement 712 for the facility. The department shall begin the implementation of this initiative by July 1, 2008. This paragraph expires July 713 714 1, 2009.

715 In addition to any renewal authorized under paragraph (C) 716 (a), contracts for community-based care lead agency services in 717 accordance with s. 409.1671(1)(e) may be renewed once for a term not to exceed 5 years, provided that the lead agency currently 718 719 under contract is in compliance with the performance, fiscal, 720 and administrative standards established by the Department of 721 Children and Family Services and the agency head determines that 722 renewal of the contract without a competitive solicitation is in 723 the best interests of the children and families served.

724 <u>(13)</u> (15) For each contractual services contract, the 725 agency shall designate an employee to function as contract 726 manager who shall be responsible for enforcing performance of 727 the contract terms and conditions and serve as a liaison with 728 the contractor. The agency shall establish procedures to ensure

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that contractual services have been rendered in accordance with the contract terms prior to processing the invoice for payment.

731 (14) (16) Each agency shall designate at least one employee 732 who shall serve as a contract administrator responsible for 733 maintaining a contract file and financial information on all 734 contractual services contracts and who shall serve as a liaison 735 with the contract managers and the department.

736 (15) (17) For a contract in excess of the threshold amount 737 provided in s. 287.017 for CATEGORY FOUR, the agency head shall 738 appoint:

739 At least three persons to evaluate proposals and (a) 740 replies who collectively have experience and knowledge in the program areas and service requirements for which commodities or 741 742 contractual services are sought.

743 At least three persons to conduct negotiations during (b) 744 a competitive sealed reply procurement who collectively have 745 experience and knowledge in negotiating contracts, contract 746 procurement, and the program areas and service requirements for which commodities or contractual services are sought. When the 747 748 value of a contract is in excess of \$1 million in any fiscal 749 year, at least one of the persons conducting negotiations must 750 be certified as a contract negotiator based upon rules adopted 751 by the Department of Management Services in order to ensure that certified contract negotiators are knowledgeable about effective 752 753 negotiation strategies, capable of successfully implementing 754 those strategies, and involved appropriately in the procurement 755 process. At a minimum, the rules must address the qualifications 756 required for certification, the method of certification, and the

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757 procedure for involving the certified negotiator. If the value 758 of a contract is in excess of \$10 million in any fiscal year, at 759 least one of the persons conducting negotiations must be a 760 Project Management Professional, as certified by the Project 761 Management Institute.

762 <u>(16) (18)</u> A person who receives a contract that <u>was not</u> 763 <u>subject to competitive procurement</u> has not been procured 764 <u>pursuant to subsections (1) through (5):</u>

765 (a) To perform a feasibility study of the potential
766 implementation of a subsequent contract;

(b) Who participates in the drafting of a solicitation;

768 (c) To develop a business case for any outsourcing 769 project, as provided in s. 287.0571; or

(d) Who develops a program for future implementation $_{ au}$

is not eligible to contract with the agency for any other contracts dealing with that specific subject matter. Moreover, and any firm in which such person has any interest is not eligible to receive such contract. However, this prohibition does not prevent a vendor who responds to a request for information from being eligible to contract with an agency.

778 <u>(17)(19)</u> Each agency shall establish a review and approval 779 process for all contractual services contracts costing more than 780 the threshold amount provided for in s. 287.017 for CATEGORY 781 THREE which shall include, but not be limited to, program, 782 financial, and legal review and approval. Such reviews and 783 approvals shall be obtained before the contract is executed. 784 (18)(20) In any procurement that costs more than the

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threshold amount provided for in s. 287.017 for CATEGORY TWO and is accomplished without competition, the individuals taking part in the development or selection of criteria for evaluation, the evaluation process, and the award process shall attest in writing that they are independent of, and have no conflict of interest in, the entities evaluated and selected.

791 (19)(21) Nothing in this section shall affect the validity
 792 or effect of any contract in existence on October 1, 1990.

793 <u>(20) (22)</u> An agency may contract for services with any 794 independent, nonprofit college or university which is located 795 within the state and is accredited by the Southern Association 796 of Colleges and Schools, on the same basis as it may contract 797 with any state university and college.

798 (21) (23) The department, in consultation with the Agency 799 for Enterprise Information Technology and the Comptroller, shall 800 develop a program for online procurement of commodities and 801 contractual services. To enable the state to promote open 802 competition and to leverage its buying power, agencies shall 803 participate in the online procurement program, and eligible 804 users may participate in the program. Only vendors prequalified 805 as meeting mandatory requirements and qualifications criteria 806 may participate in online procurement.

807 (a) The department, in consultation with the agency, may
808 contract for equipment and services necessary to develop and
809 implement online procurement.

(b) The department, in consultation with the agency, shall
adopt rules, pursuant to ss. 120.536(1) and 120.54, to
administer the program for online procurement. The rules shall

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813 include, but not be limited to:

814 1. Determining the requirements and qualification criteria815 for prequalifying vendors.

816 2. Establishing the procedures for conducting online817 procurement.

818 3. Establishing the criteria for eligible commodities and819 contractual services.

820 4. Establishing the procedures for providing access to821 online procurement.

5. Determining the criteria warranting any exceptions to participation in the online procurement program.

824 (c) The department may impose and shall collect all fees825 for the use of the online procurement systems.

1. The fees may be imposed on an individual transaction basis or as a fixed percentage of the cost savings generated. At a minimum, the fees must be set in an amount sufficient to cover the projected costs of the services, including administrative and project service costs in accordance with the policies of the department.

2. If the department contracts with a provider for online procurement, the department, pursuant to appropriation, shall compensate the provider from the fees after the department has satisfied all ongoing costs. The provider shall report transaction data to the department each month so that the department may determine the amount due and payable to the department from each vendor.

839 3. All fees that are due and payable to the state on a840 transactional basis or as a fixed percentage of the cost savings

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generated are subject to s. 215.31 and must be remitted within 40 days after receipt of payment for which the fees are due. For fees that are not remitted within 40 days, the vendor shall pay interest at the rate established under s. 55.03(1) on the unpaid balance from the expiration of the 40-day period until the fees are remitted.

847 4. All fees and surcharges collected under this paragraph
848 shall be deposited in the Operating Trust Fund as provided by
849 law.

850 (22) (24) Each solicitation for the procurement of 851 commodities or contractual services shall include the following 852 provision: "Respondents to this solicitation or persons acting on their behalf may not contact, between the release of the 853 854 solicitation and the end of the 72-hour period following the 855 agency posting the notice of intended award, excluding 856 Saturdays, Sundays, and state holidays, any employee or officer 857 of the executive or legislative branch concerning any aspect of 858 this solicitation, except in writing to the procurement officer 859 or as provided in the solicitation documents. Violation of this 860 provision may be grounds for rejecting a response."

861 Section 5. Section 287.0571, Florida Statutes, is amended 862 to read:

863 287.0571 <u>Business case to outsource;</u> applicability of ss. 864 287.0571-287.0574.-

865 (1) Sections 287.0571-287.0574 may be cited as the 866 "Florida Efficient Covernment Act."

867 <u>(1)(2)</u> It is the intent of the Legislature that each state 868 agency focus on its core mission and deliver services

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869 effectively and efficiently by leveraging resources and 870 contracting with private sector vendors whenever vendors can 871 more effectively and efficiently provide services and reduce the 872 cost of government.

873 (2)(3) It is further the intent of the Legislature that 874 business cases to outsource be evaluated for feasibility, cost-875 effectiveness, and efficiency before a state agency proceeds 876 with any outsourcing of services.

877 <u>(3) (4)</u> This section does Sections 287.0571-287.0574 do not 878 apply to:

(a) A procurement of commodities and contractual services listed in s. $287.057(3)\frac{(5)(e)_{r}}{(f)_{r}}$ and (g) and (20) $\frac{(22)}{(22)}$.

(b) A procurement of contractual services subject to s.287.055.

(c) A contract in support of the planning, development, implementation, operation, or maintenance of the road, bridge, and public transportation construction program of the Department of Transportation.

887 (d) A procurement of commodities or contractual services
888 which does not constitute an outsourcing of services or
889 activities.

890 (4) An agency shall complete a business case for any 991 outsourcing project with an expected cost in excess of \$10 992 million within a single fiscal year. The business case shall be 993 submitted pursuant to s. 216.023. The business case shall be 994 available as part of the solicitation but is not subject to 995 challenge and shall include the following: 996 (a) A detailed description of the service or activity for

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| 897 | which the outsourcing is proposed. |
| 898 | (b) A description and analysis of the state agency's |
| 899 | current performance, based on existing performance metrics if |
| 900 | the state agency is currently performing the service or |
| 901 | activity. |
| 902 | (c) The goals desired to be achieved through the proposed |
| 903 | outsourcing and the rationale for such goals. |
| 904 | (d) A citation to the existing or proposed legal authority |
| 905 | for outsourcing the service or activity. |
| 906 | (e) A description of available options for achieving the |
| 907 | goals. If state employees are currently performing the service |
| 908 | or activity, at least one option involving maintaining state |
| 909 | provision of the service or activity shall be included. |
| 910 | (f) An analysis of the advantages and disadvantages of |
| 911 | each option, including, at a minimum, potential performance |
| 912 | improvements and risks. |
| 913 | (g) A description of the current market for the |
| 914 | contractual services that are under consideration for |
| 915 | outsourcing. |
| 916 | (h) A cost-benefit analysis documenting the direct and |
| 917 | indirect specific baseline costs, savings, and qualitative and |
| 918 | quantitative benefits involved in or resulting from the |
| 919 | implementation of the recommended option or options. Such |
| 920 | analysis must specify the schedule that, at a minimum, must be |
| 921 | adhered to in order to achieve the estimated savings. All |
| 922 | elements of cost must be clearly identified in the cost-benefit |
| 923 | analysis, described in the business case, and supported by |
| 924 | applicable records and reports. The state agency head shall |
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| 925 | attest that, based on the data and information underlying the |
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| 926 | business case, to the best of his or her knowledge, all |
| 927 | projected costs, savings, and benefits are valid and achievable. |
| 928 | As used in this section, the term "cost" means the reasonable, |
| 929 | relevant, and verifiable cost, which may include, but is not |
| 930 | limited to, elements such as personnel, materials and supplies, |
| 931 | services, equipment, capital depreciation, rent, maintenance and |
| 932 | repairs, utilities, insurance, personnel travel, overhead, and |
| 933 | interim and final payments. The appropriate elements shall |
| 934 | depend on the nature of the specific initiative. As used in this |
| 935 | section, the term "savings" means the difference between the |
| 936 | direct and indirect actual annual baseline costs compared to the |
| 937 | projected annual cost for the contracted functions or |
| 938 | responsibilities in any succeeding state fiscal year during the |
| 939 | term of the contract. |
| 940 | (i) A description of differences among current state |
| 941 | agency policies and processes and, as appropriate, a discussion |
| 942 | of options for or a plan to standardize, consolidate, or revise |
| 943 | current policies and processes, if any, to reduce the |
| 944 | customization of any proposed solution that would otherwise be |
| 945 | required. |
| 946 | (j) A description of the specific performance standards |
| 947 | that must, at a minimum, be met to ensure adequate performance. |
| 948 | (k) The projected timeframe for key events from the |
| 949 | beginning of the procurement process through the expiration of a |
| 950 | contract. |
| 951 | (1) A plan to ensure compliance with the public records |
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| 953 | (m) A specific and feasible contingency plan addressing |
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| 954 | contractor nonperformance and a description of the tasks |
| 955 | involved in and costs required for its implementation. |
| 956 | (n) A state agency's transition plan for addressing |
| 957 | changes in the number of agency personnel, affected business |
| 958 | processes, employee transition issues, and communication with |
| 959 | affected stakeholders, such as agency clients and the public. |
| 960 | The transition plan must contain a reemployment and retraining |
| 961 | assistance plan for employees who are not retained by the state |
| 962 | agency or employed by the contractor. |
| 963 | (o) A plan for ensuring access by persons with |
| 964 | disabilities in compliance with applicable state and federal |
| 965 | law. |
| 966 | (5) In addition to the contract requirements provided in |
| 967 | s. 287.058, each contract for a proposed outsourcing, pursuant |
| 968 | to this section, must include, but need not be limited to, the |
| 969 | following contractual provisions: |
| 970 | (a) A scope-of-work provision that clearly specifies each |
| 971 | service or deliverable to be provided, including a description |
| 972 | of each deliverable or activity that is quantifiable, |
| 973 | measurable, and verifiable. This provision must include a clause |
| 974 | that states if a particular service or deliverable is |
| 975 | inadvertently omitted or not clearly specified but determined to |
| 976 | be operationally necessary and verified to have been performed |
| 977 | by the agency within the 12 months before the execution of the |
| 978 | contract, such service or deliverable will be provided by the |
| 979 | contractor through the identified contract-amendment process. |
| 980 | (b) A service-level-agreement provision describing all |
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981 services to be provided under the terms of the agreement, the 982 state agency's service requirements and performance objectives, 983 specific responsibilities of the state agency and the 984 contractor, and the process for amending any portion of the 985 service-level agreement. Each service-level agreement must 986 contain an exclusivity clause that allows the state agency to 987 retain the right to perform the service or activity, directly or 988 with another contractor, if service levels are not being 989 achieved. 990 (c) A provision that identifies all associated costs, 991 specific payment terms, and payment schedules, including 992 provisions governing incentives and financial disincentives and 993 criteria governing payment. 994 (d) A provision that identifies a clear and specific 995 transition plan that will be implemented in order to complete 996 all required activities needed to transfer the service or 997 activity from the state agency to the contractor and operate the 998 service or activity successfully. (e) A performance-standards provision that identifies all 999 1000 required performance standards, which must include, at a 1001 minimum: 1002 1. Detailed and measurable acceptance criteria for each 1003 deliverable and service to be provided to the state agency under 1004 the terms of the contract which document the required 1005 performance level. 1006 2. A method for monitoring and reporting progress in 1007 achieving specified performance standards and levels. 1008 3. The sanctions or disincentives that shall be imposed Page 36 of 74

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2010 1009 for nonperformance by the contractor or state agency. 1010 (f) A provision that requires the contractor and its 1011 subcontractors to maintain adequate accounting records that 1012 comply with all applicable federal and state laws and generally 1013 accepted accounting principles. 1014 (g) A provision that authorizes the state agency to have 1015 access to and to audit all records related to the contract and 1016 subcontracts, or any responsibilities or functions under the 1017 contract and subcontracts, for purposes of legislative 1018 oversight, and a requirement for audits by a service 1019 organization in accordance with professional auditing standards, 1020 if appropriate. 1021 (h) A provision that requires the contractor to interview 1022 and consider for employment with the contractor each displaced 1023 state employee who is interested in such employment. 1024 (i) A contingency-plan provision that describes the 1025 mechanism for continuing the operation of the service or 1026 activity, including transferring the service or activity back to 1027 the state agency or successor contractor if the contractor fails 1028 to perform and comply with the performance standards and levels 1029 of the contract and the contract is terminated. 1030 (j) A provision that requires the contractor and its 1031 subcontractors to comply with public records laws, specifically 1032 to: 1033 1. Keep and maintain the public records that ordinarily and necessarily would be required by the state agency in order 1034 1035 to perform the service or activity. 1036 2. Provide the public with access to such public records

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| 1037 | on the same terms and conditions that the state agency would |
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| 1038 | provide the records and at a cost that does not exceed that |
| 1039 | provided in chapter 119 or as otherwise provided by law. |
| 1040 | 3. Ensure that records that are exempt or records that are |
| 1041 | confidential and exempt are not disclosed except as authorized |
| 1042 | by law. |
| 1043 | 4. Meet all requirements for retaining records and |
| 1044 | transfer to the state agency, at no cost, all public records in |
| 1045 | possession of the contractor upon termination of the contract |
| 1046 | and destroy any duplicate public records that are exempt or |
| 1047 | confidential and exempt. All records stored electronically must |
| 1048 | be provided to the state agency in a format that is compatible |
| 1049 | with the information technology systems of the state agency. |
| 1050 | (k)1. A provision that provides that any copyrightable or |
| 1051 | patentable intellectual property produced as a result of work or |
| 1052 | services performed under the contract, or in any way connected |
| 1053 | with the contract, shall be the property of the state, with only |
| 1054 | such exceptions as are clearly expressed and reasonably valued |
| 1055 | in the contract. |
| 1056 | 2. A provision that provides that, if the primary purpose |
| 1057 | of the contract is the creation of intellectual property, the |
| 1058 | state shall retain an unencumbered right to use such property. |
| 1059 | (1) If applicable, a provision that allows the agency to |
| 1060 | purchase from the contractor, at its depreciated value, assets |
| 1061 | used by the contractor in the performance of the contract. If |
| 1062 | assets have not depreciated, the agency shall retain the right |
| 1063 | to negotiate to purchase at an agreed-upon cost. |

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| 1064 | Section 6. Section 287.05721, Florida Statutes, is |
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| 1065 | repealed. |
| 1066 | Section 7. Section 287.0575, Florida Statutes, is created |
| 1067 | to read: |
| 1068 | 287.0575 Coordination of contracted servicesThe |
| 1069 | following duties and responsibilities of the Department of |
| 1070 | Children and Family Services, the Agency for Persons with |
| 1071 | Disabilities, the Department of Health, the Department of |
| 1072 | Elderly Affairs, and the Florida Department of Veterans Affairs, |
| 1073 | and service providers under contract to those agencies, are |
| 1074 | established: |
| 1075 | (1) No later than August 1, 2010, or upon entering into |
| 1076 | any new contract for health and human services, state agencies |
| 1077 | contracting for health and human services must notify their |
| 1078 | contract service providers of the requirements of this section. |
| 1079 | (2) No later than October 1, 2010, contract service |
| 1080 | providers that have more than one contract with one or more |
| 1081 | state agencies to provide health and human services must provide |
| 1082 | to each of their contract managers a comprehensive list of their |
| 1083 | health and human services contracts. The list must include the |
| 1084 | following information: |
| 1085 | (a) The name of each contracting state agency and the |
| 1086 | applicable office or program issuing the contract. |
| 1087 | (b) The identifying name and number of each contract. |
| 1088 | (c) The starting and ending date of each contract. |
| 1089 | (d) The amount of each contract. |
| 1090 | (e) A brief description of the purpose of the contract and |
| 1091 | the types of services provided under each contract. |
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| 1092 | (f) The name and contact information of the contract |
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| 1093 | manager. |
| 1094 | (3) With respect to contracts entered into after August 1, |
| 1095 | 2010, effective November 1, 2010, or 30 days after receiving the |
| 1096 | list provided under subsection (2), a single lead administrative |
| 1097 | coordinator for each contract service provider shall be |
| 1098 | designated as provided in this subsection from among the |
| 1099 | agencies having multiple contracts as provided in subsection |
| 1100 | (2). On or before the date such responsibilities are assumed, |
| 1101 | the designated lead administrative coordinator shall provide |
| 1102 | notice of his or her designation to the contract service |
| 1103 | provider and to the agency contract managers for each affected |
| 1104 | contract. Unless another lead administrative coordinator is |
| 1105 | selected by agreement of all affected contract managers, the |
| 1106 | designated lead administrative coordinator shall be the agency |
| 1107 | contract manager of the contract with the highest dollar value |
| 1108 | over the term of the contract, provided the term of the contract |
| 1109 | remaining at the time of designation exceeds 24 months. If the |
| 1110 | remaining terms of all contracts are 24 months or less, the |
| 1111 | designated lead administrative coordinator shall be the contract |
| 1112 | manager of the contract with the latest end date. A designated |
| 1113 | lead administrative coordinator, or his or her successor as |
| 1114 | contract manager, shall continue as lead administrative |
| 1115 | coordinator until another lead administrative coordinator is |
| 1116 | selected by agreement of all affected contract managers or until |
| 1117 | the end date of the contract for which the designated lead |
| 1118 | administrative coordinator serves as contract manager, at which |

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1119 time a new lead administrative coordinator shall be designated 1120 pursuant to this subsection if applicable. (4) The designated lead administrative coordinator shall 1121 1122 be responsible for: 1123 (a) Establishing a coordinated schedule for administrative 1124 and fiscal monitoring; (b) Consulting with other case managers to establish a 1125 1126 single unified set of required administrative and fiscal 1127 documentation; (c) Consulting with other case managers to establish a 1128 1129 single unified schedule for periodic updates of administrative 1130 and fiscal information; and 1131 (d) Maintaining an accessible electronic file of up-to-1132 date administrative and fiscal documents, including, but not 1133 limited to, corporate documents, membership records, audits, and 1134 monitoring reports. 1135 (5) Contract managers for agency contracts other than the 1136 designated lead administrative coordinator must conduct 1137 administrative and fiscal monitoring activities in accordance 1138 with the coordinated schedule and must obtain any necessary 1139 administrative and fiscal documents from the designated lead 1140 administrative coordinator's electronic file. 1141 This section does not apply to routine program (6) performance monitoring or prohibit a contracting agency from 1142 1143 directly and immediately contacting the service provider when 1144 the health or safety of clients is at risk. 1145 (7) Annually, each agency contracting for health and human 1146 services shall evaluate the performance of its designated lead

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| 1147 | administrative coordinator in establishing coordinated systems, |
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| 1148 | improving efficiency, and reducing redundant monitoring |
| 1149 | activities for state agencies and their service providers. The |
| 1150 | report shall be submitted to the Governor, the President of the |
| 1151 | Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives. |
| 1152 | Section 8. Section 287.0573, Florida Statutes, is |
| 1153 | repealed. |
| 1154 | Section 9. Section 287.0574, Florida Statutes, is |
| 1155 | repealed. |
| 1156 | Section 10. Subsections (2) and (3) of section 283.32, |
| 1157 | Florida Statutes, are amended to read: |
| 1158 | 283.32 Recycled paper to be used by each agency; printing |
| 1159 | bids certifying use of recycled paper; percentage preference in |
| 1160 | awarding contracts |
| 1161 | (2) Each agency shall require a vendor that submits a bid |
| 1162 | for a contract for printing and that wishes to be considered for |
| 1163 | the price preference described in s. 287.045 to certify in |
| 1164 | writing the percentage of recycled content of the material used |
| 1165 | for such printing. Such vendor may certify that the material |
| 1166 | contains no recycled content. |
| 1167 | (3) Upon evaluation of bids for each printing contract, |
| 1168 | the agency shall identify the lowest responsive bid and any |
| 1169 | other responsive bids in which it has been certified that the |
| 1170 | materials used in printing contain at least the minimum |
| 1171 | percentage of recycled content that is set forth by the |
| 1172 | department. In awarding a contract for printing, the agency may |
| 1173 | allow up to a 10-percent price preference, as provided in s. |
| 1174 | 287.045, to a responsible and responsive vendor that has |
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1175 certified that the materials used in printing contain at least 1176 the minimum percentage of recycled content established by the 1177 department. If no vendors offer materials for printing that 1178 contain the minimum prescribed recycled content, the contract 1179 shall be awarded to the responsible vendor that submits the 1180 lowest responsive bid.

1181 Section 11. Subsection (1) of section 403.7065, Florida
1182 Statutes, is amended to read:

1183 403.7065 Procurement of products or materials with 1184 recycled content.-

1185 Except as provided in s. 287.045, Any state agency or (1)1186 agency of a political subdivision of the state which is using 1187 state funds, or any person contracting with any such agency with 1188 respect to work performed under contract, is required to procure 1189 products or materials with recycled content when the Department 1190 of Management Services determines that those products or 1191 materials are available. A decision not to procure such items 1192 must be based on the Department of Management Services' 1193 determination that such procurement is not reasonably available within an acceptable period of time, fails to meet the 1194 1195 performance standards set forth in the applicable 1196 specifications, or fails to meet the performance standards of 1197 the agency. When the requirements of s. 287.045 are met, 1198 agencies shall be subject to the procurement requirements of 1199 that section for procuring products or materials with recycled 1200 content.

1201 Section 12. Paragraph (d) of subsection (4) of section 1202 14.204, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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1203 14.204 Agency for Enterprise Information Technology.—The 1204 Agency for Enterprise Information Technology is created within 1205 the Executive Office of the Governor.

1206 (4) The agency shall have the following duties and 1207 responsibilities:

(d) Plan and establish policies for managing proposed
statutorily authorized enterprise information technology
services, which includes:

1211 1. Developing business cases that, when applicable, 1212 include the components identified in s. <u>287.0571</u> 287.0574;

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2. Establishing and coordinating project-management teams;

1214 3. Establishing formal risk-assessment and mitigation1215 processes; and

1216 4. Providing for independent monitoring of projects for1217 recommended corrective actions.

1218 Section 13. Subsection (1) of section 43.16, Florida 1219 Statutes, is amended to read:

1220 43.16 Justice Administrative Commission; membership,1221 powers and duties.-

(1) There is hereby created a Justice Administrative Commission, with headquarters located in the state capital. The necessary office space for use of the commission shall be furnished by the proper state agency in charge of state buildings. For purposes of the fees imposed on agencies pursuant to s. 287.057(21)(23), the Justice Administrative Commission shall be exempt from such fees.

1229 Section 14. Paragraph (e) of subsection (1) of section 1230 61.1826, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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1231 61.1826 Procurement of services for State Disbursement 1232 Unit and the non-Title IV-D component of the State Case 1233 Registry; contracts and cooperative agreements; penalties; 1234 withholding payment.-

(1) LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS.—The Legislature finds that the clerks of court play a vital role, as essential participants in the establishment, modification, collection, and enforcement of child support, in securing the health, safety, and welfare of the children of this state. The Legislature further finds and declares that:

(e) The potential loss of substantial federal funds poses a direct and immediate threat to the health, safety, and welfare of the children and citizens of the state and constitutes an emergency for purposes of s. 287.057(3)(5)(a).

For these reasons, the Legislature hereby directs the Department of Revenue, subject to the provisions of subsection (5), to contract with the Florida Association of Court Clerks and each depository to perform duties with respect to the operation and maintenance of a State Disbursement Unit and the non-Title IV-D component of the State Case Registry as further provided by this section.

1253 Section 15. Paragraph (h) of subsection (1) of section 1254 112.3215, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1255 112.3215 Lobbying before the executive branch or the 1256 Constitution Revision Commission; registration and reporting; 1257 investigation by commission.-

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(1) For the purposes of this section:

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(h) "Lobbyist" means a person who is employed and receives payment, or who contracts for economic consideration, for the purpose of lobbying, or a person who is principally employed for governmental affairs by another person or governmental entity to lobby on behalf of that other person or governmental entity. "Lobbyist" does not include a person who is:

1265 1. An attorney, or any person, who represents a client in 1266 a judicial proceeding or in a formal administrative proceeding 1267 conducted pursuant to chapter 120 or any other formal hearing 1268 before an agency, board, commission, or authority of this state.

1269 2. An employee of an agency or of a legislative or 1270 judicial branch entity acting in the normal course of his or her 1271 duties.

1272 3. A confidential informant who is providing, or wishes to 1273 provide, confidential information to be used for law enforcement 1274 purposes.

1275 4. A person who lobbies to procure a contract pursuant to
1276 chapter 287 which contract is less than the threshold for
1277 CATEGORY ONE as provided in s. 287.017(1)(a).

1278 Section 16. Paragraph (h) of subsection (3) of section 1279 255.25, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1280 255.25 Approval required prior to construction or lease of 1281 buildings.-

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(h) The Department of Management Services may, pursuant to
s. 287.042(2)(a), procure a term contract for real estate
consulting and brokerage services. A state agency may not
purchase services from the contract unless the contract has been

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1287 procured under s. 287.057(1), (2), or (3) after March 1, 2007, 1288 and contains the following provisions or requirements:

1289 1. Awarded brokers must maintain an office or presence in 1290 the market served. In awarding the contract, preference must be 1291 given to brokers that are licensed in this state under chapter 1292 475 and that have 3 or more years of experience in the market 1293 served. The contract may be made with up to three tenant brokers 1294 in order to serve the marketplace in the north, central, and 1295 south areas of the state.

1296 2. Each contracted tenant broker shall work under the 1297 direction, supervision, and authority of the state agency, 1298 subject to the rules governing lease procurements.

1299 3. The department shall provide training for the awarded 1300 tenant brokers concerning the rules governing the procurement of 1301 leases.

Tenant brokers must comply with all applicable
 provisions of s. 475.278.

1304 Real estate consultants and tenant brokers shall be 5. 1305 compensated by the state agency, subject to the provisions of 1306 the term contract, and such compensation is subject to 1307 appropriation by the Legislature. A real estate consultant or 1308 tenant broker may not receive compensation directly from a 1309 lessor for services that are rendered under the term contract. 1310 Moneys paid to a real estate consultant or tenant broker are 1311 exempt from any charge imposed under s. 287.1345. Moneys paid by 1312 a lessor to the state agency under a facility leasing 1313 arrangement are not subject to the charges imposed under s. 1314 215.20. All terms relating to the compensation of the real

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1315 estate consultant or tenant broker shall be specified in the 1316 term contract and may not be supplemented or modified by the 1317 state agency using the contract.

1318 6. The department shall conduct periodic customer-1319 satisfaction surveys.

1320 7. Each state agency shall report the following1321 information to the department:

1322a. The number of leases that adhere to the goal of the1323workspace-management initiative of 180 square feet per FTE.

b. The quality of space leased and the adequacy of tenant-improvement funds.

1326 c. The timeliness of lease procurement, measured from the 1327 date of the agency's request to the finalization of the lease.

d. Whether cost-benefit analyses were performed before
execution of the lease in order to ensure that the lease is in
the best interest of the state.

e. The lease costs compared to market rates for similar
types and classifications of space according to the official
classifications of the Building Owners and Managers Association.

Section 17. Subsection (1) of section 283.33, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1336 283.33 Printing of publications; lowest bidder awards.1337 (1) Publications may be printed and prepared in-house, by
1338 another agency or the Legislature, or purchased on bid,
1339 whichever is more economical and practicable as determined by
1340 the agency. An agency may contract for binding separately when
1341 more economical or practicable, whether or not the remainder of
1342 the printing is done in-house. A vendor may subcontract for

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1343 binding and still be considered a responsible vendor, 1344 notwithstanding s. 287.012(23)(24). Section 18. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section 1345 1346 286.0113, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 1347 286.0113 General exemptions from public meetings.-1348 (2) (a) A meeting at which a negotiation with a vendor is conducted pursuant to s. 287.057(1) (1) (3) is exempt from s. 286.011 1349 1350 and s. 24(b), Art. I of the State Constitution. 1351 Section 19. Subsection (1) of section 287.022, Florida 1352 Statutes, is amended to read: 1353 287.022 Purchase of insurance.-1354 Insurance, while not a commodity, nevertheless shall (1)1355 be purchased for all agencies by the department, except that 1356 agencies may purchase title insurance for land acquisition and 1357 may make emergency purchases of insurance pursuant to s. 1358 287.057(3)(5)(a). The procedures for purchasing insurance, 1359 whether the purchase is made by the department or by the 1360 agencies, shall be the same as those set forth herein for the 1361 purchase of commodities. 1362 Section 20. Paragraph (f) of subsection (1) and subsection 1363 (5) of section 287.058, Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 1364 287.058 Contract document.-1365 Every procurement of contractual services in excess of (1)1366 the threshold amount provided in s. 287.017 for CATEGORY TWO, except for the providing of health and mental health services or 1367 drugs in the examination, diagnosis, or treatment of sick or 1368 injured state employees or the providing of other benefits as 1369 1370 required by the provisions of chapter 440, shall be evidenced by

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1371 a written agreement embodying all provisions and conditions of 1372 the procurement of such services, which provisions and 1373 conditions shall, where applicable, include, but shall not be 1374 limited to:

1375 (f) A provision specifying that the contract may be 1376 renewed for a period that may not exceed 3 years or the term of 1377 the original contract, whichever period is longer, specifying 1378 the renewal price for the contractual service as set forth in 1379 the bid, proposal, or reply, specifying that costs for the 1380 renewal may not be charged, and specifying that renewals shall 1381 be contingent upon satisfactory performance evaluations by the 1382 agency and subject to the availability of funds. Exceptional 1383 purchase contracts pursuant to s. $287.057(3)\frac{(5)}{(a)}$ (a) and (c) may 1384 not be renewed.

1386 In lieu of a written agreement, the department may authorize the 1387 use of a purchase order for classes of contractual services, if 1388 the provisions of paragraphs (a) - (f) are included in the 1389 purchase order or solicitation. The purchase order must include, but need not be limited to, an adequate description of the 1390 1391 services, the contract period, and the method of payment. In 1392 lieu of printing the provisions of paragraphs (a)-(f) in the 1393 contract document or purchase order, agencies may incorporate 1394 the requirements of paragraphs (a) - (f) by reference.

(5) Unless otherwise provided in the General
Appropriations Act or the substantive bill implementing the
General Appropriations Act, the Chief Financial Officer may
waive the requirements of this section for services which are

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1399 included in s. 287.057(3)(5)(f).

1400 Section 21. Subsection (14) of section 287.059, Florida 1401 Statutes, is amended to read:

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287.059 Private attorney services.-

1403 The office of the Attorney General is authorized to (14)1404 competitively bid and contract with one or more court reporting 1405 services, on a circuitwide basis, on behalf of all state 1406 agencies in accordance with s. $287.057\frac{(2)}{(2)}$. The office of the 1407 Attorney General shall develop requests for proposal for court 1408 reporter services in consultation with the Florida Court 1409 Reporters Association. All agencies shall utilize the contracts 1410 for court reporting services entered into by the office of the 1411 Attorney General where in force, unless otherwise ordered by a 1412 court or unless an agency has a contract for court reporting 1413 services executed prior to May 5, 1993.

1414Section 22. Paragraph (b) of subsection (4) of section1415295.187, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1416 295.187 Florida Service-Disabled Veteran Business1417 Enterprise Opportunity Act.-

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(4) VENDOR PREFERENCE.-

1419 Notwithstanding s. 287.057(10)(12), if a service-(b) 1420 disabled veteran business enterprise entitled to the vendor 1421 preference under this section and one or more businesses 1422 entitled to this preference or another vendor preference 1423 provided by law submit bids, proposals, or replies for procurement of commodities or contractual services that are 1424 1425 equal with respect to all relevant considerations, including price, quality, and service, then the state agency shall award 1426

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1427 the procurement or contract to the business having the smallest 1428 net worth.

Section 23. Subsection (3) of section 394.457, Florida
Statutes, is amended to read:

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394.457 Operation and administration.-

1432 POWER TO CONTRACT.-The department may contract to (3) 1433 provide, and be provided with, services and facilities in order 1434 to carry out its responsibilities under this part with the 1435 following agencies: public and private hospitals; receiving and 1436 treatment facilities; clinics; laboratories; departments, 1437 divisions, and other units of state government; the state 1438 colleges and universities; the community colleges; private colleges and universities; counties, municipalities, and any 1439 1440 other governmental unit, including facilities of the United 1441 States Government; and any other public or private entity which 1442 provides or needs facilities or services. Baker Act funds for community inpatient, crisis stabilization, short-term 1443 residential treatment, and screening services must be allocated 1444 1445 to each county pursuant to the department's funding allocation 1446 methodology. Notwithstanding the provisions of s. 1447 287.057(3)(-5)(f), contracts for community-based Baker Act 1448 services for inpatient, crisis stabilization, short-term 1449 residential treatment, and screening provided under this part, other than those with other units of government, to be provided 1450 1451 for the department must be awarded using competitive sealed bids 1452 when the county commission of the county receiving the services 1453 makes a request to the department's district office by January 1454 15 of the contracting year. The district shall not enter into a

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1455 competitively bid contract under this provision if such action 1456 will result in increases of state or local expenditures for Baker Act services within the district. Contracts for these 1457 1458 Baker Act services using competitive sealed bids will be 1459 effective for 3 years. The department shall adopt rules 1460 establishing minimum standards for such contracted services and 1461 facilities and shall make periodic audits and inspections to 1462 assure that the contracted services are provided and meet the 1463 standards of the department.

1464Section 24. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section1465394.47865, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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394.47865 South Florida State Hospital; privatization.-

(1) The Department of Children and Family Services shall,
through a request for proposals, privatize South Florida State
Hospital. The department shall plan to begin implementation of
this privatization initiative by July 1, 1998.

1471 Notwithstanding s. 287.057(12) (14), the department may (a) 1472 enter into agreements, not to exceed 20 years, with a private 1473 provider, a coalition of providers, or another agency to 1474 finance, design, and construct a treatment facility having up to 1475 350 beds and to operate all aspects of daily operations within 1476 the facility. The department may subcontract any or all 1477 components of this procurement to a statutorily established 1478 state governmental entity that has successfully contracted with 1479 private companies for designing, financing, acquiring, leasing, 1480 constructing, and operating major privatized state facilities.

1481Section 25. Paragraph (c) of subsection (5) and subsection1482(8) of section 402.40, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

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402.40 Child welfare training.-

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(5) CORE COMPETENCIES.-

(c) Notwithstanding s. 287.057(3)(5) and (20)(22), the department shall competitively solicit and contract for the development, validation, and periodic evaluation of the training curricula for the established single integrated curriculum. No more than one training curriculum may be developed for each specific subset of the core competencies.

1491 (8) ESTABLISHMENT OF TRAINING ACADEMIES.-The department 1492 shall establish child welfare training academies as part of a 1493 comprehensive system of child welfare training. In establishing 1494 a program of training, the department may contract for the 1495 operation of one or more training academies to perform one or 1496 more of the following: to offer one or more of the training 1497 curricula developed under subsection (5); to administer the 1498 certification process; to develop, validate, and periodically 1499 evaluate additional training curricula determined to be 1500 necessary, including advanced training that is specific to a 1501 region or contractor, or that meets a particular training need; 1502 or to offer the additional training curricula. The number, 1503 location, and timeframe for establishment of training academies 1504 shall be approved by the Secretary of Children and Family 1505 Services who shall ensure that the goals for the core 1506 competencies and the single integrated curriculum, the 1507 certification process, the trainer qualifications, and the 1508 additional training needs are addressed. Notwithstanding s. 1509 287.057(3)(5) and (20)(22), the department shall competitively 1510 solicit all training academy contracts.

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1511 Section 26. Paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection (2) and 1512 subsection (3) of section 402.7305, Florida Statutes, are 1513 amended to read:

1514 402.7305 Department of Children and Family Services;
1515 procurement of contractual services; contract management.

(2) PROCUREMENT OF COMMODITIES AND CONTRACTUAL SERVICES.-

Notwithstanding s. 287.057(3)(f)11. s. 1517 (a) 1518 287.057(5)(f)13., whenever the department intends to contract 1519 with a public postsecondary institution to provide a service, the department must allow all public postsecondary institutions 1520 1521 in this state that are accredited by the Southern Association of 1522 Colleges and Schools to bid on the contract. Thereafter, 1523 notwithstanding any other provision to the contrary, if a public 1524 postsecondary institution intends to subcontract for any service awarded in the contract, the subcontracted service must be 1525 1526 procured by competitive procedures.

1527 When it is in the best interest of a defined segment (b) 1528 of its consumer population, the department may competitively 1529 procure and contract for systems of treatment or service that 1530 involve multiple providers, rather than procuring and 1531 contracting for treatment or services separately from each 1532 participating provider. The department must ensure that all 1533 providers that participate in the treatment or service system 1534 meet all applicable statutory, regulatory, service quality, and cost control requirements. If other governmental entities or 1535 1536 units of special purpose government contribute matching funds to the support of a given system of treatment or service, the 1537 1538 department shall formally request information from those funding

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1539 entities in the procurement process and may take the information 1540 received into account in the selection process. If a local 1541 government contributes matching funds to support the system of 1542 treatment or contracted service and if the match constitutes at 1543 least 25 percent of the value of the contract, the department 1544 shall afford the governmental match contributor an opportunity 1545 to name an employee as one of the persons required by s. 1546 287.057(15)(17) to evaluate or negotiate certain contracts, 1547 unless the department sets forth in writing the reason why the 1548 inclusion would be contrary to the best interest of the state. 1549 Any employee so named by the governmental match contributor 1550 shall qualify as one of the persons required by s. 1551 287.057(15)(17). A governmental entity or unit of special 1552 purpose government may not name an employee as one of the persons required by s. $287.057(15)\frac{(17)}{(17)}$ if it, or any of its 1553 1554 political subdivisions, executive agencies, or special 1555 districts, intends to compete for the contract to be awarded. 1556 The governmental funding entity or contributor of matching funds 1557 must comply with all procurement procedures set forth in s. 1558 287.057 when appropriate and required.

1559 CONTRACT MANAGEMENT REQUIREMENTS AND PROCESS.-The (3) 1560 Department of Children and Family Services shall review the time 1561 period for which the department executes contracts and shall 1562 execute multiyear contracts to make the most efficient use of 1563 the resources devoted to contract processing and execution. 1564 Whenever the department chooses not to use a multiyear contract, 1565 a justification for that decision must be contained in the 1566 contract. Notwithstanding s. $287.057(13) \frac{(15)}{(15)}$, the department is

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1567 responsible for establishing a contract management process that 1568 requires a member of the department's Senior Management or 1569 Selected Exempt Service to assign in writing the responsibility 1570 of a contract to a contract manager. The department shall 1571 maintain a set of procedures describing its contract management 1572 process which must minimally include the following requirements:

(a) The contract manager shall maintain the official contract file throughout the duration of the contract and for a period not less than 6 years after the termination of the contract.

(b) The contract manager shall review all invoices for compliance with the criteria and payment schedule provided for in the contract and shall approve payment of all invoices before their transmission to the Department of Financial Services for payment.

(c) The contract manager shall maintain a schedule of payments and total amounts disbursed and shall periodically reconcile the records with the state's official accounting records.

(d) For contracts involving the provision of direct client services, the contract manager shall periodically visit the physical location where the services are delivered and speak directly to clients receiving the services and the staff responsible for delivering the services.

(e) The contract manager shall meet at least once a month directly with the contractor's representative and maintain records of such meetings.

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The contract manager shall periodically document any

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differences between the required performance measures and the 1595 1596 actual performance measures. If a contractor fails to meet and 1597 comply with the performance measures established in the 1598 contract, the department may allow a reasonable period for the 1599 contractor to correct performance deficiencies. If performance deficiencies are not resolved to the satisfaction of the 1600 1601 department within the prescribed time, and if no extenuating 1602 circumstances can be documented by the contractor to the 1603 department's satisfaction, the department must terminate the 1604 contract. The department may not enter into a new contract with that same contractor for the services for which the contract was 1605 1606 previously terminated for a period of at least 24 months after 1607 the date of termination. The contract manager shall obtain and 1608 enforce corrective action plans, if appropriate, and maintain 1609 records regarding the completion or failure to complete 1610 corrective action items.

1611 (g) The contract manager shall document any contract 1612 modifications, which shall include recording any contract 1613 amendments as provided for in this section.

1614 (h) The contract manager shall be properly trained before1615 being assigned responsibility for any contract.

Section 27. Subsection (2) of section 408.045, Florida
Statutes, is amended to read:

1618 408.045 Certificate of need; competitive sealed 1619 proposals.-

1620 (2) The agency shall make a decision regarding the
1621 issuance of the certificate of need in accordance with the
1622 provisions of s. 287.057(15)(17), rules adopted by the agency

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1623 relating to intermediate care facilities for the developmentally
1624 disabled, and the criteria in s. 408.035, as further defined by
1625 rule.

1626 Section 28. Subsection (3) of section 427.0135, Florida 1627 Statutes, is amended to read:

1628 427.0135 Purchasing agencies; duties and 1629 responsibilities.—Each purchasing agency, in carrying out the 1630 policies and procedures of the commission, shall:

Not procure transportation disadvantaged services 1631 (3) 1632 without initially negotiating with the commission, as provided 1633 in s. 287.057(3)(f)11. s. 287.057(5)(f)13., or unless otherwise 1634 authorized by statute. If the purchasing agency, after 1635 consultation with the commission, determines that it cannot 1636 reach mutually acceptable contract terms with the commission, 1637 the purchasing agency may contract for the same transportation 1638 services provided in a more cost-effective manner and of comparable or higher quality and standards. The Medicaid agency 1639 1640 shall implement this subsection in a manner consistent with s. 1641 409.908(18) and as otherwise limited or directed by the General 1642 Appropriations Act.

1643 Section 29. Paragraph (c) of subsection (5) of section 1644 445.024, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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445.024 Work requirements.-

1646 (5) USE OF CONTRACTS.-Regional workforce boards shall 1647 provide work activities, training, and other services, as 1648 appropriate, through contracts. In contracting for work 1649 activities, training, or services, the following applies: 1650 (c) Notwithstanding the exemption from the competitive

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1651 sealed bid requirements provided in s. 287.057(3)(5)(f) for 1652 certain contractual services, each contract awarded under this 1653 chapter must be awarded on the basis of a competitive sealed 1654 bid, except for a contract with a governmental entity as 1655 determined by the regional workforce board.

1656 Section 30. Paragraph (b) of subsection (3) of section 1657 481.205, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1658 481.205 Board of Architecture and Interior Design.-1659 (3)

(b) The board shall contract with a corporation or other business entity pursuant to s. 287.057(3) to provide investigative, legal, prosecutorial, and other services necessary to perform its duties.

1664 Section 31. Subsection (41) of section 570.07, Florida 1665 Statutes, is amended to read:

1666 570.07 Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; 1667 functions, powers, and duties.—The department shall have and 1668 exercise the following functions, powers, and duties:

1669 (41)Notwithstanding the provisions of s. 287.057(21) (23) 1670 that require all agencies to use the online procurement system 1671 developed by the Department of Management Services, the 1672 department may continue to use its own online system. However, 1673 vendors utilizing such system shall be prequalified as meeting mandatory requirements and qualifications and shall remit fees 1674 1675 pursuant to s. 287.057(21)(23), and any rules implementing s. 1676 287.057.

1677 Section 32. Paragraph (c) of subsection (5) of section 1678 627.311, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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1679 627.311 Joint underwriters and joint reinsurers; public1680 records and public meetings exemptions.-

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1682 (C) The operation of the plan shall be governed by a plan 1683 of operation that is prepared at the direction of the board of 1684 governors and approved by order of the office. The plan is 1685 subject to continuous review by the office. The office may, by 1686 order, withdraw approval of all or part of a plan if the office 1687 determines that conditions have changed since approval was 1688 granted and that the purposes of the plan require changes in the 1689 plan. The plan of operation shall:

1690 1. Authorize the board to engage in the activities 1691 necessary to implement this subsection, including, but not 1692 limited to, borrowing money.

1693 2. Develop criteria for eligibility for coverage by the 1694 plan, including, but not limited to, documented rejection by at 1695 least two insurers which reasonably assures that insureds 1696 covered under the plan are unable to acquire coverage in the 1697 voluntary market.

1698 3. Require notice from the agent to the insured at the 1699 time of the application for coverage that the application is for 1700 coverage with the plan and that coverage may be available 1701 through an insurer, group self-insurers' fund, commercial self-1702 insurance fund, or assessable mutual insurer through another 1703 agent at a lower cost.

4. Establish programs to encourage insurers to provide coverage to applicants of the plan in the voluntary market and to insureds of the plan, including, but not limited to:

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a. Establishing procedures for an insurer to use in
notifying the plan of the insurer's desire to provide coverage
to applicants to the plan or existing insureds of the plan and
in describing the types of risks in which the insurer is
interested. The description of the desired risks must be on a
form developed by the plan.

b. Developing forms and procedures that provide an insurer with the information necessary to determine whether the insurer wants to write particular applicants to the plan or insureds of the plan.

1717 c. Developing procedures for notice to the plan and the 1718 applicant to the plan or insured of the plan that an insurer 1719 will insure the applicant or the insured of the plan, and notice 1720 of the cost of the coverage offered; and developing procedures 1721 for the selection of an insuring entity by the applicant or 1722 insured of the plan.

d. Provide for a market-assistance plan to assist in the placement of employers. All applications for coverage in the plan received 45 days before the effective date for coverage shall be processed through the market-assistance plan. A marketassistance plan specifically designed to serve the needs of small, good policyholders as defined by the board must be reviewed and updated periodically.

1730 5. Provide for policy and claims services to the insureds 1731 of the plan of the nature and quality provided for insureds in 1732 the voluntary market.

1733 6. Provide for the review of applications for coverage 1734 with the plan for reasonableness and accuracy, using any

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1735 available historic information regarding the insured.

1736 7. Provide for procedures for auditing insureds of the 1737 plan which are based on reasonable business judgment and are 1738 designed to maximize the likelihood that the plan will collect 1739 the appropriate premiums.

8. Authorize the plan to terminate the coverage of and refuse future coverage for any insured that submits a fraudulent application to the plan or provides fraudulent or grossly erroneous records to the plan or to any service provider of the plan in conjunction with the activities of the plan.

1745 9. Establish service standards for agents who submit1746 business to the plan.

1747 10. Establish criteria and procedures to prohibit any 1748 agent who does not adhere to the established service standards 1749 from placing business with the plan or receiving, directly or 1750 indirectly, any commissions for business placed with the plan.

1751 11. Provide for the establishment of reasonable safety
1752 programs for all insureds in the plan. All insureds of the plan
1753 must participate in the safety program.

1754 12. Authorize the plan to terminate the coverage of and 1755 refuse future coverage to any insured who fails to pay premiums 1756 or surcharges when due; who, at the time of application, is 1757 delinquent in payments of workers' compensation or employer's 1758 liability insurance premiums or surcharges owed to an insurer, 1759 group self-insurers' fund, commercial self-insurance fund, or 1760 assessable mutual insurer licensed to write such coverage in 1761 this state; or who refuses to substantially comply with any 1762 safety programs recommended by the plan.

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1763 13. Authorize the board of governors to provide the goods 1764 and services required by the plan through staff employed by the 1765 plan, through reasonably compensated service providers who 1766 contract with the plan to provide services as specified by the 1767 board of governors, or through a combination of employees and 1768 service providers.

1769 Purchases that equal or exceed \$2,500 but are less than a. 1770 or equal to \$25,000, shall be made by receipt of written quotes, 1771 telephone quotes, or informal bids, whenever practical. The 1772 procurement of goods or services valued over \$25,000 is subject 1773 to competitive solicitation, except in situations in which the 1774 goods or services are provided by a sole source or are deemed an 1775 emergency purchase, or the services are exempted from 1776 competitive-solicitation requirements under s. 287.057(3)(5)(f). 1777 Justification for the sole-sourcing or emergency procurement 1778 must be documented. Contracts for goods or services valued at or 1779 over \$100,000 are subject to board approval.

1780 The board shall determine whether it is more costb. 1781 effective and in the best interests of the plan to use legal services provided by in-house attorneys employed by the plan 1782 1783 rather than contracting with outside counsel. In making such 1784 determination, the board shall document its findings and shall 1785 consider the expertise needed; whether time commitments exceed 1786 in-house staff resources; whether local representation is 1787 needed; the travel, lodging, and other costs associated with in-1788 house representation; and such other factors that the board 1789 determines are relevant.

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Provide for service standards for service providers,
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1791 methods of determining adherence to those service standards, 1792 incentives and disincentives for service, and procedures for 1793 terminating contracts for service providers that fail to adhere 1794 to service standards.

1795 15. Provide procedures for selecting service providers and 1796 standards for qualification as a service provider that 1797 reasonably assure that any service provider selected will 1798 continue to operate as an ongoing concern and is capable of 1799 providing the specified services in the manner required.

1800 16. Provide for reasonable accounting and data-reporting 1801 practices.

1802 17. Provide for annual review of costs associated with the 1803 administration and servicing of the policies issued by the plan 1804 to determine alternatives by which costs can be reduced.

1805 18. Authorize the acquisition of such excess insurance or 1806 reinsurance as is consistent with the purposes of the plan.

1807 19. Provide for an annual report to the office on a date 1808 specified by the office and containing such information as the 1809 office reasonably requires.

20. Establish multiple rating plans for various classifications of risk which reflect risk of loss, hazard grade, actual losses, size of premium, and compliance with loss control. At least one of such plans must be a preferred-rating plan to accommodate small-premium policyholders with good experience as defined in sub-subparagraph 22.a.

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21. Establish agent commission schedules.

181722. For employers otherwise eligible for coverage under1818the plan, establish three tiers of employers meeting the

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1819 criteria and subject to the rate limitations specified in this 1820 subparagraph.

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a. Tier One.-

(I) Criteria; rated employers.—An employer that has an experience modification rating shall be included in Tier One if the employer meets all of the following:

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(A) The experience modification is below 1.00.

(B) The employer had no lost-time claims subsequent to theapplicable experience modification rating period.

(C) The total of the employer's medical-only claims
subsequent to the applicable experience modification rating
period did not exceed 20 percent of premium.

(II) Criteria; non-rated employers.—An employer that does not have an experience modification rating shall be included in Tier One if the employer meets all of the following:

(A) The employer had no lost-time claims for the 3-year
period immediately preceding the inception date or renewal date
of the employer's coverage under the plan.

(B) The total of the employer's medical-only claims for the 3-year period immediately preceding the inception date or renewal date of the employer's coverage under the plan did not exceed 20 percent of premium.

(C) The employer has secured workers' compensation coverage for the entire 3-year period immediately preceding the inception date or renewal date of the employer's coverage under the plan.

1845 (D) The employer is able to provide the plan with a loss 1846 history generated by the employer's prior workers' compensation

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1847 insurer, except if the employer is not able to produce a loss 1848 history due to the insolvency of an insurer, the receiver shall 1849 provide to the plan, upon the request of the employer or the 1850 employer's agent, a copy of the employer's loss history from the 1851 records of the insolvent insurer if the loss history is 1852 contained in records of the insurer which are in the possession of the receiver. If the receiver is unable to produce the loss 1853 1854 history, the employer may, in lieu of the loss history, submit 1855 an affidavit from the employer and the employer's insurance 1856 agent setting forth the loss history.

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(E) The employer is not a new business.

1858 Premiums.-The premiums for Tier One insureds shall (III) 1859 be set at a premium level 25 percent above the comparable 1860 voluntary market premiums until the plan has sufficient 1861 experience as determined by the board to establish an 1862 actuarially sound rate for Tier One, at which point the board 1863 shall, subject to paragraph (e), adjust the rates, if necessary, 1864 to produce actuarially sound rates, provided such rate 1865 adjustment shall not take effect prior to January 1, 2007.

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b. Tier Two.-

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(I) Criteria; rated employers.—An employer that has an experience modification rating shall be included in Tier Two if the employer meets all of the following:

1870 (A) The experience modification is equal to or greater1871 than 1.00 but not greater than 1.10.

(B) The employer had no lost-time claims subsequent to theapplicable experience modification rating period.

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The total of the employer's medical-only claims

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1875 subsequent to the applicable experience modification rating 1876 period did not exceed 20 percent of premium.

(II) Criteria; non-rated employers.—An employer that does not have any experience modification rating shall be included in Tier Two if the employer is a new business. An employer shall be included in Tier Two if the employer has less than 3 years of loss experience in the 3-year period immediately preceding the inception date or renewal date of the employer's coverage under the plan and the employer meets all of the following:

(A) The employer had no lost-time claims for the 3-year
period immediately preceding the inception date or renewal date
of the employer's coverage under the plan.

(B) The total of the employer's medical-only claims for
the 3-year period immediately preceding the inception date or
renewal date of the employer's coverage under the plan did not
exceed 20 percent of premium.

1891 The employer is able to provide the plan with a loss (C) 1892 history generated by the workers' compensation insurer that 1893 provided coverage for the portion or portions of such period 1894 during which the employer had secured workers' compensation 1895 coverage, except if the employer is not able to produce a loss 1896 history due to the insolvency of an insurer, the receiver shall 1897 provide to the plan, upon the request of the employer or the employer's agent, a copy of the employer's loss history from the 1898 records of the insolvent insurer if the loss history is 1899 1900 contained in records of the insurer which are in the possession 1901 of the receiver. If the receiver is unable to produce the loss 1902 history, the employer may, in lieu of the loss history, submit

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1903 an affidavit from the employer and the employer's insurance 1904 agent setting forth the loss history.

1905 (III) Premiums.-The premiums for Tier Two insureds shall 1906 be set at a rate level 50 percent above the comparable voluntary 1907 market premiums until the plan has sufficient experience as 1908 determined by the board to establish an actuarially sound rate 1909 for Tier Two, at which point the board shall, subject to 1910 paragraph (e), adjust the rates, if necessary, to produce 1911 actuarially sound rates, provided such rate adjustment shall not 1912 take effect prior to January 1, 2007.

1913 c. Tier Three.-

(I) Eligibility.—An employer shall be included in Tier
Three if the employer does not meet the criteria for Tier One or
Tier Two.

1917 (II) Rates.—The board shall establish, subject to 1918 paragraph (e), and the plan shall charge, actuarially sound 1919 rates for Tier Three insureds.

1920 For Tier One or Tier Two employers which employ no 23. 1921 nonexempt employees or which report payroll which is less than the minimum wage hourly rate for one full-time employee for 1 1922 1923 year at 40 hours per week, the plan shall establish actuarially 1924 sound premiums, provided, however, that the premiums may not 1925 exceed \$2,500. These premiums shall be in addition to the fee 1926 specified in subparagraph 26. When the plan establishes actuarially sound rates for all employers in Tier One and Tier 1927 1928 Two, the premiums for employers referred to in this paragraph 1929 are no longer subject to the \$2,500 cap.

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24. Provide for a depopulation program to reduce the

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1931 number of insureds in the plan. If an employer insured through 1932 the plan is offered coverage from a voluntary market carrier: 1933 During the first 30 days of coverage under the plan; a. 1934 Before a policy is issued under the plan; b. 1935 By issuance of a policy upon expiration or cancellation с. 1936 of the policy under the plan; or 1937 By assumption of the plan's obligation with respect to d. 1938 an in-force policy, 1939 that employer is no longer eligible for coverage through the 1940 1941 plan. The premium for risks assumed by the voluntary market 1942 carrier must be no greater than the premium the insured would 1943 have paid under the plan, and shall be adjusted upon renewal to 1944 reflect changes in the plan rates and the tier for which the 1945 insured would qualify as of the time of renewal. The insured may 1946 be charged such premiums only for the first 3 years of coverage in the voluntary market. A premium under this subparagraph is 1947 1948 deemed approved and is not an excess premium for purposes of s. 1949 627.171. 1950 Require that policies issued and applications must 25. 1951 include a notice that the policy could be replaced by a policy 1952 issued from a voluntary market carrier and that, if an offer of 1953 coverage is obtained from a voluntary market carrier, the policyholder is no longer eligible for coverage through the 1954 1955 plan. The notice must also specify that acceptance of coverage 1956 under the plan creates a conclusive presumption that the 1957 applicant or policyholder is aware of this potential. 1958 Require that each application for coverage and each 26.

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1959 renewal premium be accompanied by a nonrefundable fee of \$475 to 1960 cover costs of administration and fraud prevention. The board 1961 may, with the prior approval of the office, increase the amount 1962 of the fee pursuant to a rate filing to reflect increased costs 1963 of administration and fraud prevention. The fee is not subject 1964 to commission and is fully earned upon commencement of coverage.

1965Section 33. Paragraph (e) of subsection (6) of section1966627.351, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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627.351 Insurance risk apportionment plans.-

(6) CITIZENS PROPERTY INSURANCE CORPORATION.-

1969 Purchases that equal or exceed \$2,500, but are less (e) 1970 than \$25,000, shall be made by receipt of written quotes, 1971 written record of telephone quotes, or informal bids, whenever 1972 practical. The procurement of goods or services valued at or 1973 over \$25,000 shall be subject to competitive solicitation, 1974 except in situations where the goods or services are provided by 1975 a sole source or are deemed an emergency purchase; the services 1976 are exempted from competitive solicitation requirements under s. 1977 287.057(3)(5)(f); or the procurement of services is subject to s. 627.3513. Justification for the sole-sourcing or emergency 1978 1979 procurement must be documented. Contracts for goods or services 1980 valued at or over \$100,000 are subject to approval by the board.

1981 Section 34. Subsection (2) of section 765.5155, Florida1982 Statutes, is amended to read:

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765.5155 Donor registry; education program.-

(2) The agency and the department shall jointly contract
for the operation of a donor registry and education program. The
contractor shall be procured by competitive solicitation

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1987 pursuant to chapter 287, notwithstanding any exemption in s. 1988 287.057(3)(5)(f). When awarding the contract, priority shall be 1989 given to existing nonprofit groups that are based within the 1990 state, have expertise working with procurement organizations, 1991 have expertise in conducting statewide organ and tissue donor 1992 public education campaigns, and represent the needs of the organ 1993 and tissue donation community in the state.

1994Section 35.Subsection (10) of section 893.055, Florida1995Statutes, is amended to read:

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893.055 Prescription drug monitoring program.-

1997 All costs incurred by the department in administering (10)1998 the prescription drug monitoring program shall be funded through federal grants or private funding applied for or received by the 1999 2000 state. The department may not commit funds for the monitoring 2001 program without ensuring funding is available. The prescription 2002 drug monitoring program and the implementation thereof are 2003 contingent upon receipt of the nonstate funding. The department 2004 and state government shall cooperate with the direct-support 2005 organization established pursuant to subsection (11) in seeking 2006 federal grant funds, other nonstate grant funds, gifts, 2007 donations, or other private moneys for the department so long as 2008 the costs of doing so are not considered material. Nonmaterial 2009 costs for this purpose include, but are not limited to, the 2010 costs of mailing and personnel assigned to research or apply for 2011 a grant. Notwithstanding the exemptions to competitivesolicitation requirements under s. 287.057(3) (f), the 2012 2013 department shall comply with the competitive-solicitation 2014 requirements under s. 287.057 for the procurement of any goods

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2015 or services required by this section.

2016 Section 36. Subsection (3) of section 1013.38, Florida 2017 Statutes, is amended to read:

2018 1013.38 Boards to ensure that facilities comply with 2019 building codes and life safety codes.-

(3) The Department of Management Services may, upon request, provide facilities services for the Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind, the Division of Blind Services, and public broadcasting. As used in this section, the term "facilities services" means project management, code and design plan review, and code compliance inspection for projects as defined in s. 287.017(5)(1)(e).

2027 Section 37. Section 21 of chapter 2009-55, 2009 Laws of 2028 Florida, is amended to read:

2029 Section 21. The Agency for Health Care Administration 2030 shall develop and implement a home health agency monitoring 2031 pilot project in Miami-Dade County by January 1, 2010. The 2032 agency shall contract with a vendor to verify the utilization 2033 and the delivery of home health services and provide an 2034 electronic billing interface for such services. The contract 2035 must require the creation of a program to submit claims for the 2036 home health services electronically. The program must verify 2037 visits for the delivery of home health services telephonically 2038 using voice biometrics. The agency may seek amendments to the 2039 Medicaid state plan and waivers of federal law, as necessary, to implement the pilot project. Notwithstanding s. 2040 2041 287.057(3)(5)(f), Florida Statutes, the agency must award the

2042 contract through the competitive solicitation process. The

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2043 agency shall submit a report to the Governor, the President of 2044 the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives 2045 evaluating the pilot project by February 1, 2011.

2046 Section 38. Section 31 of chapter 2009-223, Laws of 2047 Florida, is amended to read:

2048 Section 31. Pilot project to monitor home health 2049 services.-The Agency for Health Care Administration shall 2050 develop and implement a home health agency monitoring pilot 2051 project in Miami-Dade County by January 1, 2010. The agency 2052 shall contract with a vendor to verify the utilization and 2053 delivery of home health services and provide an electronic 2054 billing interface for home health services. The contract must 2055 require the creation of a program to submit claims 2056 electronically for the delivery of home health services. The 2057 program must verify telephonically visits for the delivery of 2058 home health services using voice biometrics. The agency may seek 2059 amendments to the Medicaid state plan and waivers of federal 2060 laws, as necessary, to implement the pilot project. 2061 Notwithstanding s. 287.057(3)(5)(f), Florida Statutes, the 2062 agency must award the contract through the competitive 2063 solicitation process. The agency shall submit a report to the 2064 Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the 2065 House of Representatives evaluating the pilot project by 2066 February 1, 2011.

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Section 39. This act shall take effect July 1, 2010.

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