

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to procurement of commodities and
 3 contractual services; creating s. 287.05705, F.S.;
 4 providing that an agency, county, or municipality that is
 5 required to make purchases of commodities or contractual
 6 services through competitive solicitation must provide
 7 vendors the option to submit competitive sealed bids
 8 through a uniform secure electronic interactive Internet
 9 system; requiring specified notification in invitations to
 10 bid; requiring the Department of Management Services to
 11 adopt rules establishing procedures and requirements for
 12 the electronic submission, receipt, and processing of
 13 competitive sealed bids; providing exemptions; providing
 14 an effective date.

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

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 18 Section 1. Section 287.05705, Florida Statutes, is created
 19 to read:

20 287.05705 Online submission of competitive sealed bids.-

21 (1) Except as provided in subsections (4) and (5), an
 22 agency, county, or municipality that is required to make
 23 purchases of commodities or contractual services through
 24 competitive solicitation must provide vendors the option to
 25 submit competitive sealed bids through a uniform secure
 26 electronic interactive Internet system.

27 (2) Agencies, counties, and municipalities must include in
 28 invitations to bid notification to vendors apprising them of the

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29 option to submit sealed bids electronically and of any special
30 conditions, requirements, or procedures particular to electronic
31 submissions of competitive sealed bids.

32 (3) The department shall adopt rules establishing
33 procedures and requirements for the electronic submission,
34 receipt, and processing of competitive sealed bids under this
35 section.

36 (4) A county or municipality that is without available
37 high-speed Internet access is exempt from the requirements of
38 subsections (1) and (2) until such time as high-speed Internet
39 access becomes available to the county or municipality.

40 (5) A county or municipality with a population of less
41 than 25,000 is exempt from the requirements of subsections (1)
42 and (2).

43 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2010.