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IN SENATE

May 13, 2014

Introduced by Sen. MARTINS -- (at request of the State Comptroller) -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Commerce, Economic Development and Small Business

AN ACT to amend the economic development law and the state finance law, in relation to making technical corrections relating to thresholds for the publication of procurement opportunities

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Section 146 of the economic development law, as amended by chapter 95 of the laws of 2000 and renumbered by chapter 137 of the laws of 2008, is amended to read as follows:

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S 146. Approval of comptroller. The comptroller shall not approve or any procurement contract for the acquisition of goods or services in the amount of [fifteen] FIFTY thousand dollars or more unless notice as provided in section one hundred forty-two of this article shall first have been published in the procurement opportunities newsletter at least fifteen business days prior to the date on which a bid or proposal was due. Provided, however, such requirement of publication of advance notice shall not apply to contracts exempt from such requirement under section one hundred forty-four of this article; provided further, comptroller shall not be required to disapprove a contract if he OR SHE determines that there has been substantial compliance with the requirements of section one hundred forty-two and section one hundred forty-three of this article. The foregoing provisions of this shall not be construed to limit, in any manner, the right of the comptroller to demand evidence of adequate competition or such other proofs as he OR SHE may require in the discharge of his OR HER responsibilities pursuant to section one hundred twelve of the state finance law or any other provision of law.

S 2. Subdivision 6-a of section 163 of the state finance law, as added by section 4 of part D of chapter 56 of the laws of 2006, is amended to read as follows:

6-a. Discretionary purchases. Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision two of section one hundred twelve of this chapter relating to the

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [] is old law to be omitted.

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dollar threshold requiring the state comptroller's approval of contracts, the commissioner of general services may make purchases or enter into contracts for the acquisition of commodities and services having a value not exceeding eighty-five thousand dollars without prior 5 approval by any other state officer or agency in accordance with procedures and requirements set forth in this article. [Notwithstanding the 6 7 provisions of article four-C of the economic development law, commissioner of general services may make purchases or enter into 8 contracts for the acquisition of commodities and services having a value 9 10 not exceeding thirty thousand dollars without prior approval by any other state officer or agency in accordance with procedures and require-11 ments set forth in this article.] 12 13

S 3. This act shall take effect immediately, provided, that the amendment to subdivision 6-a of section 163 of the state finance law made by section two of this act shall not affect the repeal of such section and shall be deemed repealed therewith.