

S E N A T E - A S S E M B L Y

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IN SENATE -- Introduced by Sens. THOMPSON, STEWART-COUSINS -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Finance

IN ASSEMBLY -- Introduced by M. of A. BRODSKY -- read once and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations

AN ACT to amend the executive law, in relation to expanding the process to reform state contracting requirements to expand prime contract and subcontract opportunities for minority and women-owned business enterprises; and to repeal certain provisions of such law relating thereto

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

1 Section 1. Subdivision 13 of section 310 of the executive law, as  
2 added by chapter 261 of the laws of 1988, is amended to read as follows:  
3 13. "State contract" shall mean: (a) a written agreement or purchase  
4 order instrument, providing for a total expenditure in excess of twenty-  
5 ty-five thousand dollars, whereby a contracting agency is committed to  
6 expend or does expend funds in return for labor, services, INCLUDING  
7 WITHOUT LIMITATION ASSET MANAGEMENT, INVESTMENT BANKING, BROKERAGE  
8 SERVICES, INSURANCE, BANKING, OTHER FINANCIAL ADVISORY, LEGAL, ACCOUNT-  
9 ING AND OTHER PROFESSIONAL SERVICES, supplies, equipment, materials or  
10 any combination of the foregoing, to be performed for, or rendered or  
11 furnished to the contracting agency; (b) a written agreement in excess  
12 of one hundred thousand dollars whereby a contracting agency is commit-  
13 ted to expend or does expend funds for the acquisition, construction,  
14 demolition, replacement, major repair or renovation of real property and  
15 improvements thereon; and (c) a written agreement in excess of one  
16 hundred thousand dollars whereby the owner of a state assisted housing  
17 project is committed to expend or does expend funds for the acquisition,  
18 construction, demolition, replacement, major repair or renovation of  
19 real property and improvements thereon for such project. For the  
20 purposes of this article the term "services" shall not include banking  
21 relationships, the issuance of insurance policies or contracts, or  
22 contracts with a contracting agency for the sale of bonds, notes or  
23 other securities.  
24 S 2. Subdivision 13 of section 310 of the executive law, as amended by  
25 chapter 506 of the laws of 2009, is amended to read as follows:

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

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2 order instrument, providing for a total expenditure in excess of twen-  
3 ty-five thousand dollars, whereby a contracting agency is committed to  
4 expend or does expend funds in return for labor, services including but  
5 not limited to legal, financial and other professional services, ASSET  
6 MANAGEMENT, INVESTMENT BANKING, BROKERAGE SERVICES, INSURANCE, BANKING,  
7 OTHER FINANCIAL ADVISORY, LEGAL, ACCOUNTING AND OTHER PROFESSIONAL  
8 SERVICES, supplies, equipment, materials or any combination of the fore-  
9 going, to be performed for, or rendered or furnished to the contracting  
10 agency; (b) a written agreement in excess of one hundred thousand  
11 dollars whereby a contracting agency is committed to expend or does  
12 expend funds for the acquisition, construction, demolition, replacement,  
13 major repair or renovation of real property and improvements thereon;  
14 and (c) a written agreement in excess of one hundred thousand dollars  
15 whereby the owner of a state assisted housing project is committed to  
16 expend or does expend funds for the acquisition, construction, demoli-  
17 tion, replacement, major repair or renovation of real property and  
18 improvements thereon for such project.

19 S 3. Subdivision 2 of section 313 of the executive law is REPEALED and  
20 a new subdivision 2 is added to read as follows:

21 2. CONTRACTING AGENCIES SHALL INCLUDE OR REQUIRE TO BE INCLUDED WITH  
22 RESPECT TO STATE CONTRACTS, SUCH PROVISIONS AS MAY BE NECESSARY TO  
23 EFFECTUATE THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION IN EVERY BID SPECIFICATION AND  
24 STATE CONTRACT, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO: (A) PROVISIONS REQUIRING  
25 CONTRACTORS TO MAKE A GOOD FAITH EFFORT TO SOLICIT ACTIVE PARTICIPATION  
26 BY ENTERPRISES KNOWN TO SUCH CONTRACTING AGENCIES AS BEING MINORITY OR  
27 WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISES OR IDENTIFIED IN THE DIRECTORY OF  
28 CERTIFIED BUSINESSES PROVIDED TO THE CONTRACTING AGENCY BY THE OFFICE;  
29 (B) REQUIRING THE PARTIES TO AGREE AS A CONDITION OF ENTERING INTO SUCH  
30 CONTRACT, TO BE BOUND BY THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION THREE HUNDRED SIXTEEN  
31 OF THIS ARTICLE; AND (C) REQUIRING THE CONTRACTOR TO INCLUDE THE  
32 PROVISIONS SET FORTH IN PARAGRAPHS (A) AND (B) OF THIS SUBDIVISION IN  
33 EVERY SUBCONTRACT IN A MANNER THAT THE PROVISIONS WILL BE BINDING UPON  
34 EACH SUBCONTRACTOR AS TO WORK IN CONNECTION WITH SUCH CONTRACT.  
35 PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT NO SUCH PROVISIONS SHALL BE BINDING UPON  
36 CONTRACTORS OR SUBCONTRACTORS IN THE PERFORMANCE OF WORK OR THE  
37 PROVISION OF SERVICES THAT ARE UNRELATED, SEPARATE OR DISTINCT FROM THE  
38 STATE CONTRACT AS EXPRESSED BY ITS TERMS, AND NOTHING IN THIS SECTION  
39 SHALL AUTHORIZE THE DIRECTOR OR ANY CONTRACTING AGENCY TO IMPOSE ANY  
40 REQUIREMENT ON A CONTRACTOR OR SUBCONTRACTOR EXCEPT WITH RESPECT TO A  
41 STATE CONTRACT. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, "STATE CONTRACTS" SHALL  
42 INCLUDE, WITHOUT LIMITATION, LEASES OF REAL PROPERTY BY A STATE AGENCY  
43 TO A LESSEE WHERE THE TERMS OF SUCH LEASES PROVIDE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION,  
44 DEMOLITION, REPLACEMENT, MAJOR REPAIR OR RENOVATION OF REAL PROPERTY AND  
45 IMPROVEMENTS THEREON BY SUCH LESSEE. REPORTS TO THE DIRECTOR PURSUANT  
46 TO SECTION THREE HUNDRED FIFTEEN OF THIS TITLE SHALL INCLUDE ACTIVITIES  
47 WITH RESPECT TO ALL STATE CONTRACTS.

48 S 4. This act shall take effect immediately; provided, however, that  
49 section two of this act shall take effect on the same date and in the  
50 same manner as section 21-a of chapter 506 of the laws of 2009 takes  
51 effect when upon such date the provisions of section one of this act  
52 shall be deemed repealed; and provided, further, that the amendments to  
53 sections 310 and 313 of the executive law made by this act shall not  
54 affect the expiration of such sections and shall be deemed to expire  
55 therewith.