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Introduced by M. of A. RABBITT, FINCH -- read once and referred to the Committee on Local Governments

AN ACT to amend the general municipal law, in relation to requiring the state comptroller to offer the top three proposals received by an administrative service agency or financial organization to each ambulance service participating in a service award program

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

Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 219-h of the general municipal law, as amended by chapter 514 of the laws of 1998, is amended to read as follows:

1. Service award programs shall be centrally administered by the state comptroller, or the comptroller may enter into one or more of the following contracts:

(a) a contract with an administrative service agency or financial organization to serve as program administrator and to perform all or any portion of the functions required to establish and administer such programs including, but not limited to, preparation of a plan document, record keeping, reporting, payment of service awards, and having custody of program moneys and assets; or

(b) contracts with one or more financial organizations to invest program moneys.

If the comptroller contracts for the performance of any function as provided in this subdivision, the comptroller shall OFFER THE TOP THREE PROPOSALS RECEIVED FROM THE ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE AGENCIES OR FINANCIAL ORGANIZATIONS TO THE AMBULANCE SERVICE. THE AMBULANCE SERVICE SHALL SELECT AN ADMINISTRATOR AND INFORM THE COMPTROLLER.

THE COMPTROLLER SHALL be liable only for the exercise of due care in the selection of the administrative service [agency] AGENCIES or financial [organization] ORGANIZATIONS THAT ARE PROVIDED AS SELECTIONS TO THE AMBULANCE SERVICE.

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

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S 2. Paragraph (a) of subdivision 8 of section 219-h of the general municipal law, as amended by chapter 514 of the laws of 1998, is amended to read as follows:

(a) All contracts or agreements with an administrative service agency or financial organization shall be awarded only after receiving competitive proposals. In addition to other statutory requirements, AND FOLLOWING THE SELECTION BY AN AMBULANCE SERVICE, IN ACCORDANCE WITH PARAGRAPH (B) OF SUBDIVISION ONE OF THIS SECTION, the state comptroller shall cause to be published in the state register and in the official newspaper or newspapers, if any, or otherwise in an appropriate newspaper designated for such purposes, at least sixty days prior to the date on which the contract or agreement will be awarded and shall request proposals within thirty days of publication.

S 3. This act shall take effect immediately.