

STATE OF NEW YORK

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2019-2020 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

February 26, 2019

Introduced by Sen. ANTONACCI -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Finance

AN ACT to amend the state finance law, in relation to state procurement oversight

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. The state finance law is amended by adding a new section
2 161-a to read as follows:

3 § 161-a. State procurement and public work oversight panel. There
4 shall be a state procurement and public work oversight panel charged
5 with the independent oversight of all state procurements and public
6 works of ten million dollars or more by all state agencies and state
7 authorities. The panel shall consist of five members; one each appointed
8 by the governor, the comptroller, the attorney general, the temporary
9 president of the senate and the speaker of the assembly. The panel shall
10 make recommendations to the legislature to ensure the wise and prudent
11 use of public money in the best interests of the taxpayers of the state
12 and guard against favoritism, improvidence, extravagance, fraud and
13 corruption in connection with large procurements and public works of
14 state agencies and state authorities. The panel shall review each and
15 every procurement and public work by a state agency and authority of ten
16 million dollars or more at key intervals of the procurement process,
17 including but not limited to the final award, to ensure the process is
18 open, fair and competitive. The state agency or authority in charge of
19 the procurement or public work shall fully assist the panel in its
20 review and promptly provide any information and documentation needed or
21 requested by the panel to conduct its review. The panel may recommend
22 utilization of other state agencies or authorities to assist project
23 management to ensure on-time on-budget delivery.

24 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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