

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 257

Accompanying the ninth recommendation of the Department of Public Works (House, No. 248). State Administration.

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty-Nine.

AN ACT FURTHER REGULATING CONTRACTS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 Chapter 81 of the General Laws, as it appears in the 1986  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting the following new  
3 section as section 8A:

4 Every contract for engineering survey services awarded by the  
5 department shall be awarded to the lowest responsible and eligible  
6 bidder on the basis of competitive sealed bids publicly opened and  
7 read forthwith upon expiration of the time for filing thereof; pro-  
8 vided however, that the department may reject any and all bids  
9 if it is in the public interest to do so.

10 For purposes of this section, the term "lowest eligible and  
11 responsible bidder" shall have the same meaning as is set forth  
12 in section 39M (c) of chapter 30 of the General Laws.

