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By Mr. Saltmarsh of Winchester, petition of Sherman W. Saltmarsh, Jr., relative to requiring public bidding on municipal insurance contracts. Insurance.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-Five.

### AN ACT REQUIRING PUBLIC BIDDING ON MUNICIPAL INSURANCE CONTRACTS.

*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 43 of the General Laws is hereby amended by  
2 inserting after section 28 the following new section, section  
3 28A:—

4 Notwithstanding any provision of any general or special law  
5 to the contrary, no city or town shall purchase any type of  
6 insurance coverage, the estimated annual premium of which  
7 exceeds five hundred dollars, unless proposals for the purchase  
8 of the same have been invited by advertisement in a newspaper  
9 of general circulation as designated by the mayor, city manager,  
10 board of selectmen, or other appropriate municipal officer, a  
11 minimum of once a week for at least two consecutive weeks, the  
12 last publication to be at least one week before the time specified  
13 for the opening of said proposals. Such advertisement shall state  
14 the time and place where specific information relative to such  
15 insurance coverage may be obtained and the time and place for  
16 opening the proposals in answer to said advertisement. All such  
17 proposals shall be opened in public and all cities and towns shall  
18 reserve the right to reject any or all such proposals.

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