

By Miss Howe of Somerville, petition of Marie E. Howe that public authorities created by the General Court be required to comply with provisions of law relative to bidding on public works. State Administration.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty-Seven.

AN ACT REQUIRING AUTHORITIES CREATED BY THE LEGISLATURE TO COMPLY WITH CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF LAW DESIGNED TO PROTECT THE PUBLIC INTEREST WHICH ARE APPLICABLE TO PUBLIC AGENCIES.

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

1 Section 44A of chapter 149 of the General Laws, as appear-
2 ing in section 1 of chapter 679 of the acts of 1956, is hereby
3 amended by striking out the second paragraph and inserting in
4 place thereof the following paragraph: —
5 As used herein and in sections forty-four B to forty-four L,
6 inclusive, the term “governmental unit thereof” shall include
7 every county, city, town, district, board, commission and other
8 public body, including authorities created by the legislature
9 and exercising quasi-public functions; and except as otherwise
10 provided in section forty-four I, the words, “lowest responsible
11 and eligible bidder” shall mean the bidder whose bid is the low-
12 est of those bidders possessing the skill, ability and integrity
13 necessary to the faithful performance of the work and who shall
14 certify that he is able to furnish labor that can work in harmony
15 with all other elements of labor employed or to be employed on
16 the work. Essential information in regard to such qualifica-
17 tions shall be submitted in such form as the awarding authority
18 may require.

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