

# SENATE BILL REPORT

## HB 1967

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As Reported By Senate Committee On:  
Government Operations & Elections, February 20, 2004

**Title:** An act relating to electronic and web-based bidding.

**Brief Description:** Allowing the state purchasing and material control director to receive electronic and web-based bids.

**Sponsors:** Representatives Haigh, Miloscia and Hunt; by request of Department of General Administration.

**Brief History:**

**Committee Activity:** Government Operations & Elections: 3/28/03, 4/2/03 [DP]; 2/20/04 [DP].

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### SENATE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS & ELECTIONS

**Majority Report:** Do pass.

Signed by Senators Roach, Chair; Berkey, Horn, Kastama and McCaslin.

**Staff:** Mac Nicholson (786-7445)

**Background:** The Department of General Administration (GA) coordinates state agencies' purchases and sales of goods and services. Competitive bidding procedures are used for purchases and sales, and bids must be in writing.

**Summary of Bill:** State statute is amended to allow for electronic or web-based bid procedures for all purchases, contracts, and sales executed by the GA. Competitive bidding procedures allow for the bid to be given in an electronic format or in writing and the bid prices are disclosed during the electronic or web-based bidding process.

**Appropriation:** None.

**Fiscal Note:** Not requested.

**Effective Date:** Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.

**Testimony For:** This bill just allows GA to modernize the bidding process.

**Testimony Against:** None.

**Testified:** PRO: Bill Joplin, General Administration.