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Sponsor(s): House Committee on Government Administration
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Thompson)

Brief Title: Revising provisions relating to use of small works
rosters by state agencies.

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Revises RCW 39.04.150 to provide that each agency alone or in concert shall establish a procedure for securing telephone, electronic, or written quotations from the contractors on the small works roster to assure establishment of a competitive price and for awarding contracts to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder. This procedure shall require either that the agency make a good faith effort to request quotations from all contractors on the small works roster who have indicated the capability of performing the kind of public works being contracted or that the agency solicit quotations from at least five contractors in a manner that will equitably distribute the opportunity among contractors willing to perform in the geographic area of the work. The agency shall invite at least one proposal from a certified minority or women-owned contractor, if available, who is otherwise qualified to perform such work. Immediately after an award is made, the bid quotations obtained shall be recorded, open to public inspection, and available by telephone inquiry.

Revises RCW 39.04.155 to provide that detailed plans and specifications do not need to be included in the invitation. This provision does not eliminate other requirements for architectural or engineering approvals as to quality and compliance with building codes.