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By Representatives Dunshee and Mulliken

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1 AN ACT Relating to procurement of architectural and engineering  
2 services; and amending RCW 39.80.040.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 39.80.040 and 1981 c 61 s 4 are each amended to read  
5 as follows:

6 In the procurement of architectural and engineering services, the  
7 agency shall encourage firms engaged in the lawful practice of their  
8 profession to submit (~~annually~~), no less than biennially, a statement  
9 of qualifications and performance data. The agency shall evaluate  
10 current statements of qualifications and performance data on file with  
11 the agency, together with those that may be submitted by other firms  
12 regarding the proposed project, and shall conduct discussions with one  
13 or more firms regarding anticipated concepts and the relative utility  
14 of alternative methods of approach for furnishing the required services  
15 and then shall select therefrom, based upon criteria established by the  
16 agency, the firm deemed to be the most highly qualified to provide the  
17 services required for the proposed project. Such agency procedures and  
18 guidelines shall include a plan to insure that minority and women-owned  
19 firms are afforded the maximum practicable opportunity to compete for

1 and obtain public contracts for services. The level of participation  
2 by minority and women-owned firms shall be consistent with their  
3 general availability within the professional communities involved.

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