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Brief Description: Allowing governmental entities that award publicly funded contracts to select contractors using the lowest responsible bidder method.

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Authorizes all state or local governmental entities that award contracts for publicly funded projects to select contractors by the lowest responsible bidder method.

Provides that, in determining lowest responsible bidder, in addition to price, the governmental entity awarding the contract must consider the following elements: (1) The ability, capacity, and skill of the bidder to perform the contract or provide the service required;

(2) The reputation and experience of the bidder;

(3) Whether the bidder has demonstrated the ability to perform the contract within the time specified;

(4) The quality of performance of previous contracts or services by the bidder;

(5) The previous and existing compliance by the bidder with laws relating to the contract or services.