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- AN ACT Relating to subcontracts on public construction projects;
- 2 adding a new section to chapter 43.19 RCW; and creating a new section.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that the bundling of
- 5 state contracts provides an impediment for many of the state's small
- 6 businesses to compete for state contracts. The legislature further
- 7 finds that the development of the state's economy depends on the
- 8 nurturing and growth of the state's small businesses.
- 9 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 43.19 RCW
- 10 to read as follows:
- 11 (1) The department shall require the competitive bidding of all
- 12 subcontracts on public construction projects of at least ten million
- dollars that are awarded to general contractors based on a competitive
- 14 bid process.
- 15 (2) The department shall work with general contractors on
- 16 advertising subcontract bid opportunities to Washington businesses,
- 17 including providing access to the state contractor prequalification

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- 2 certified minority and women's businesses list.

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