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Sponsor(s): House Committee on State Government (originally sponsored by Representatives Miloscia, Armstrong and Haigh)

Brief Description: Regulating job order contracting for public works.

**HB 1788-S - DIGEST**

(DIGEST AS ENACTED)

Provides that public bodies may use a job order contract for public works projects when: (1) A public body has made a determination that the use of job order contracts will benefit the public by providing an effective means of reducing the total lead-time and cost for public works projects or repair required at public facilities through the use of unit price books and work orders by eliminating time-consuming, costly aspects of the traditional public works process, which require separate contracting actions for each small project;

(2) The work order to be issued for a particular project does not exceed two hundred thousand dollars;

(3) Less than twenty percent of the dollar value of the work order consists of items of work not contained in the unit price book; and

(4) At least eighty percent of the job order contract must be subcontracted to entities other than the job order contractor.

Provides that public bodies shall award job order contracts through a competitive process utilizing public requests for proposals. Public bodies shall make an effort to solicit proposals from a certified minority or certified woman-owned contractor to the extent permitted by the Washington state civil rights act, RCW 49.60.400.

Provides that the maximum total dollar amount that may be awarded under a job order contract shall not exceed three million dollars in the first year of the job order contract, five million dollars over the first two years of the job order contract, and, if extended or renewed, eight million dollars over the three years of the job order contract.

Provides that, in addition to the projects authorized in RCW 39.10.061, public bodies may also use the general contractor/construction manager contracting procedure for the construction of school district capital demonstration projects, subject to the following conditions: (1) The project must receive approval from the school district project review board established under RCW 39.10.115.

(2) The school district project review board may not authorize more than sixteen demonstration projects valued over ten million dollars.

(3) The school district project review board may not authorize more than two demonstration projects valued between five and ten million dollars and the authorization for the two demonstration projects shall expire upon the completion of the two projects.