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

Brief Description: Modifying public works bidding provisions.

**HB 2056-S.E - DIGEST**

(DIGEST AS ENACTED)

Provides that, when a municipality receives a written protest from a bidder for a public works project which is the subject of competitive bids, the municipality shall not execute a contract for the project with anyone other than the protesting bidder, without first providing at least two days' written notice of the municipality's intent to execute a contract for the project; provided that the protesting bidder submits notice in writing of its protest no later than two full business days following bid opening. Intermediate Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays are not counted.

Declares that a low bidder on a public works project who claims error and fails to enter into a contract is prohibited from bidding on the same project if a second or subsequent call for bids is made for the project.

Provides that, if a general contractor/construction manager receives a written protest from a subcontractor bidder, the general contractor/construction manager shall not execute a contract for the subcontract bid package with anyone other than the protesting bidder without first providing at least two days' written notice of the general contractor/construction manager's intent to execute a contract for the subcontract bid package; provided that the protesting bidder submits notice in writing of its protest no later than two full business days following bid opening. Intermediate Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays are not counted.

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

(2) The public hospital district project review board may not authorize more than ten demonstration projects valued between five and ten million dollars.

Provides that public hospital districts may also use the general contractor/construction manager contracting procedure for the construction of any public hospital district capital project that has a value over ten million dollars and that has received approval from the public hospital district project review board established under this act.