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1            AN ACT Relating to water storage asset management services; and  
2 adding a new section to chapter 35.21 RCW.

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

4            NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 1.**    A new section is added to chapter 35.21  
5 RCW to read as follows:

6            (1) Each municipality shall publish in advance its requirements  
7 to procure asset management service of its water storage assets. Such  
8 service may include the inspection, cleaning, maintenance, repair,  
9 and testing of the water storage asset. The announcement must  
10 concisely state the scope and nature of the equipment and services  
11 for which a water storage asset management service contract is  
12 required and encourage firms to submit proposals to meet these  
13 requirements.

14            (2) The municipality may negotiate a fair and reasonable asset  
15 service contract that includes the provision of contract services  
16 with the firm that is identified, based on the criteria that is  
17 established by the municipality, to be the firm that submits the best  
18 proposal. If a municipality chooses to negotiate a water storage  
19 asset management contract under this section, no otherwise applicable  
20 statutory procurement requirement applies.

1 (3) If the municipality is unable to negotiate a satisfactory  
2 water storage asset management contract with the firm that submits  
3 the best proposal, negotiations with that firm must be formally  
4 terminated and the municipality may select another firm in accordance  
5 with this section and continue negotiation until a water storage  
6 asset service contract is reached or the selection process is  
7 terminated.

8 (4) For the purposes of this section:

9 (a) "Water storage asset" means the water storage structures and  
10 distribution systems, such as the water tank, tower, well, meter or  
11 water filter.

12 (b) "Water storage asset management services" means the  
13 financing, designing, improvement, operation, maintenance,  
14 administration, asset management, or any combination thereof of a  
15 water storage asset.

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