

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT, HOUSE OF
REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED, FEBRUARY 14, 1984

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of June 24, 1931 (P.L.1206, No.331), entitled
2 "An act concerning townships of the first class; amending,
3 revising, consolidating, and changing the law relating
4 thereto," further providing for advertisements relating to
5 contracts.

6 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
7 hereby enacts as follows:

8 Section 1. Section 1802(a) of the act of June 24, 1931
9 (P.L.1206, No.331), known as The First Class Township Code,
10 reenacted and amended May 27, 1949 (P.L.1955, No.569) and
11 amended December 22, 1981 (P.L.535, No.154), is amended to read:

12 Section 1802. General Regulations Concerning Contracts.--(a)
13 All contracts or purchases made by any township, involving the
14 expenditure of over four thousand dollars, except those
15 hereinafter mentioned, shall not be made except with and from
16 the lowest responsible bidder, shall be in writing, and shall be
17 made only after notice by the secretary, published, in one
18 newspaper of general circulation, published or circulating in

1 the county in which the township is situated, at least [three]
2 two times at intervals of not less than three days where daily
3 newspapers of general circulation are employed for such
4 publication, or in case weekly newspapers are employed then the
5 notice shall be published ~~not more than forty five days and the~~ <—
6 ~~second advertisement~~ once a week for two successive weeks. The
7 first advertisement shall be published NOT MORE THAN FORTY-FIVE <—
8 DAYS AND THE SECOND ADVERTISEMENT not less than ten days prior
9 to the date fixed for the opening of bids. Advertisements for
10 contracts or purchases shall also be posted in a conspicuous
11 place within the township. All plans and specifications shall be
12 on file at least ten days in advance of opening bids. The amount
13 of the contract shall in all cases, whether of straight sale
14 price, conditional sale, bailment lease, or otherwise, be the
15 entire amount which the township pays to the successful bidder
16 or his assigns in order to obtain the services or property, or
17 both, and shall not be construed to mean only the amount which
18 is paid to acquire title or to receive any other particular
19 benefit or benefits of the whole bargain.

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21 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.