

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 37

Session of
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INTRODUCED BY LIVENGOD, FRYER, A. C. FOSTER, JR., SHOWERS,
SCHEETZ, RUDY, MACKOWSKI, BROUJOS, GAMBLE, DUFFY, WOZNIAK,
D. W. SNYDER, JAROLIN, NAHILL AND BALDWIN, JANUARY 23, 1985

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT, JANUARY 23, 1985

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 once a week for two successive weeks.
6 The first advertisement shall be published not more than forty-
7 five days and the second advertisement not less than ten days
8 prior to the date fixed for the opening of bids. Advertisements
9 for contracts or purchases shall also be posted in a conspicuous
10 place within the township. All plans and specifications shall be
11 on file at least ten days in advance of opening bids. The amount
12 of the contract shall in all cases, whether of straight sale
13 price, conditional sale, bailment lease, or otherwise, be the
14 entire amount which the township pays to the successful bidder
15 or his assigns in order to obtain the services or property, or
16 both, and shall not be construed to mean only the amount which
17 is paid to acquire title or to receive any other particular
18 benefit or benefits of the whole bargain.

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