THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT, FEBRUARY 19, 1986

AN ACT

- 1 Amending the act of August 9, 1955 (P.L.323, No.130), entitled
- 2 "An act relating to counties of the third, fourth, fifth,
- 3 sixth, seventh and eighth classes; amending, revising,
- 4 consolidating and changing the laws relating thereto, "
- 5 restricting certain persons from bidding on contracts.
- 6 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 7 hereby enacts as follows:
- 8 Section 1. Section 1802 of the act of August 9, 1955
- 9 (P.L.323, No.130), known as The County Code, is amended by
- 10 adding subsections to read:
- 11 Section 1802. Contract Procedures; Terms and Bonds;
- 12 Advertising for Bids. --* * *
- 13 (j) No person who has been convicted of a Federal or State
- 14 crime involving fraud upon a government or a government
- 15 instrumentality, and no entity in which that person has an
- 16 interest, may bid on a contract for a period of ten years after
- 17 the conviction. For purposes of this subsection, fraud includes,
- 18 but is not limited to:

- 1 (1) A misrepresentation of a material fact that is not made
- 2 <u>honestly and in good faith.</u>
- 3 (2) A promise, representation or prediction as to the future
- 4 that is not made honestly and in good faith.
- 5 (3) An intentional failure to disclose a material fact.
- 6 (4) A fictitious or pretended purchase or sale of a
- 7 security.
- 8 (5) The gaining, through the sale of a security, of an
- 9 underwriting or promotion fee or profit or a selling or managing
- 10 fee or profit that is so gross or exorbitant as to be
- 11 unconscionable. This paragraph includes a scheme, device or
- 12 <u>artifice to obtain such a profit, fee or commission.</u>
- 13 (6) A scheme, device or artifice to defraud a prospective or
- 14 actual customer, client or subscriber of securities, money or
- 15 property.
- 16 (k) In the case of a bid involving the collection,
- 17 transportation, treatment, storage or disposal of solid waste or
- 18 hazardous waste under the act of July 7, 1980 (P.L.380, No.97),
- 19 known as the Solid Waste Management Act, the following shall
- 20 apply:
- 21 (1) A bid may be rejected by the county commissioners if one
- 22 of the following applies:
- 23 (i) The county commissioners have reason to believe that the
- 24 bidder's responsibility, character and general fitness for
- 25 <u>business</u> do not command the confidence of the public and may not
- 26 be conducive to the honest and efficient conduct of business in
- 27 the best interest of the public.
- 28 (ii) The bidder's prior performance record in the
- 29 collection, transportation, treatment, storage or disposal of
- 30 solid waste exhibited insufficient reliability, expertise or

- 1 competency to warrant the belief that the bidder would be likely
- 2 to exhibit sufficient reliability, expertise or competence with
- 3 respect to the contract being bid.
- 4 (2) The county may require the following information to be
- 5 submitted with the bid:
- 6 (i) If the bidder has an equity interest in a company which
- 7 collects, transports, treats, stores or disposes of solid waste
- 8 or hazardous waste, the name and address of that company.
- 9 (ii) A description of the bidder's experience and
- 10 <u>credentials in collection, transportation, treatment, storage or</u>
- 11 disposal of solid waste or hazardous waste. The subparagraph
- 12 <u>includes past or present licenses.</u>
- 13 (iii) If the bidder is an entity, the names of the officers
- 14 and directors or partners.
- 15 (iv) A list and explanation of Federal, State and local
- 16 notices of violation, prosecutions, administrative orders and
- 17 license revocations, for the ten years immediately preceding the
- 18 bid submission, if the action is pending or has resulted in a
- 19 finding or a settlement of a violation of law by the bidder or
- 20 its employes, and, in the case of an entity, by an officer or
- 21 director or a partner, relating to the collection,
- 22 transportation, treatment, storage or disposal of solid waste or
- 23 hazardous waste.
- 24 (v) A list and explanation of judgments of civil liability
- 25 and convictions against the bidder or its employes and, in the
- 26 case of an entity, against an officer or director or a partner.
- 27 (vi) A list of agencies outside of this Commonwealth which
- 28 had regulatory authority over the bidder in connection with the
- 29 collection, transportation, treatment, storage or disposal of
- 30 solid waste or hazardous waste.

- 1 (vii) Other information that the county commissioners deem
- 2 relevant to the competency, reliability or good character of the
- 3 <u>bidder</u>.
- 4 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.