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AN ACT

Amending the act of March 1, 1988 (P.L.82, No.16), entitled "An 2 act providing for the establishment, implementation and administration of the Pennsylvania Infrastructure Investment 3 Authority; imposing powers and duties on a board of trustees; 4 5 transferring the rights, powers, duties and obligations of 6 the Water Facilities Loan Board to the Pennsylvania Infrastructure Investment Authority; providing for the 7 8 issuance of notes and bonds; providing for financial 9 assistance and for a comprehensive water facilities plan; authorizing a referendum to incur indebtedness; making an 10 appropriation; and making repeals, "further providing for the 11 12 contracting process. 13 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows: 14 15 Section 1. Section 10 of the act of March 1, 1988 (P.L.82, 16 No.16), known as the Pennsylvania Infrastructure Investment 17 Authority Act, is amended by adding a subsection to read: 18 Section 10. Financial assistance. 19 20 (o) Contracts. -- No specification for bids in connection with 21 any project financed by the authority shall be written in such a manner as to contain proprietary, exclusionary or discriminatory 22

requirements other than those based upon performance unless such

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- 1 requirements are necessary to test or demonstrate a specific
- 2 thing or to provide for necessary interchangeability of parts
- 3 and equipment. At least two brand names or trade names of
- comparable quality or utility shall be listed, followed by the 4
- 5 words "or equal." Any disputes arising from this subsection
- shall be resolved first by the grantee or loan recipient and, if 6
- 7 necessary, by the Department of Environmental Protection, not
- 8 the authority.
- 9 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.