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AN ACT

1 Amending Title 62 (Procurement) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
2 Statutes, in general provisions, providing for cost-benefit
3 analysis; and, in procurement organization, further providing
4 for powers and duties of Department of General Services.

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

7 Section 1. Title 62 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
8 Statutes is amended by adding a section to read:

9 § 109. Cost-benefit analysis.

10 (a) General rule.--Except as otherwise provided under
11 subsection (b), a contract involving property, real, personal or
12 mixed of any kind or description or any contract for personal
13 services where the consideration involved is \$50,000 or more
14 shall not be implemented and no supplies, services or
15 construction may be accepted or work begun until a cost-benefit
16 analysis of the contract is completed by the purchasing agency.

17 (b) Applicability.--The provisions of subsection (a) shall
18 not apply where:

19 (1) there is a threat to public health, welfare or

1 safety; or

2 (2) there are circumstances outside the control of the
3 Commonwealth agency that create an urgency of need that does
4 not permit the delay involved for the completion of a cost-
5 benefit analysis.

6 (c) Publication of cost-benefit analysis.--The purchasing
7 agency shall file with the Treasury Department a copy of the
8 cost-benefit analysis prepared under this section. The analysis
9 shall be available for inspection at no charge with the
10 corresponding contracts on the Treasury Department's publicly
11 accessible Internet website as required under section 1702 of
12 the act of February 14, 2008 (P.L.6, No.3), known as the Right-
13 to-Know Law.

14 Section 2. Section 321 of Title 62 is amended by adding a
15 paragraph to read:

16 § 321. Powers and duties.

17 Except as otherwise specifically provided in this part, the
18 department shall have the following powers and duties:

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20 (7) Complete a cost-benefit analysis of each contract
21 awarded when the department acts as the purchasing agency.

22 Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.