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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, JANUARY 19, 2010

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 62 (Procurement) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
2 Statutes, in small and disadvantaged businesses, providing
3 for mentor-protégé program.

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

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

8 § 2109. Mentor-protégé program.

9 (a) General rule.--Commonwealth agencies shall adopt and
10 institute, with the department's assistance, a mentor-protégé
11 program to assist, support and enable small businesses to
12 successfully compete for prime and subcontract awards by
13 partnering with large companies, which shall serve as mentors,
14 in State contracts.

15 (b) Factor to be considered.--The mentor-protégé arrangement
16 between a prime contractor and a minority-owned, women-owned or
17 disadvantaged subcontractor shall be an important factor to be

1 considered or weighed by the Commonwealth agency in awarding a
2 contract.

3 (c) Guidelines.--The department shall establish the
4 appropriate and applicable guidelines and criteria for firms to
5 participate in a mentor-protégé program.

6 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.