
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 169 Session of
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INTRODUCED BY SCHWANK, HUGHES, HAYWOOD, FARNESE, FONTANA,
STREET, SANTARSIERO, LEACH, BREWSTER, COSTA AND J. WARD,
APRIL 5, 2019

REFERRED TO STATE GOVERNMENT, APRIL 5, 2019

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 62 (Procurement) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
2 Statutes, in general provisions, further providing for
3 definitions; and, in source selection and contract formation,
4 further providing for competitive sealed bidding.

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

7 Section 1. Section 103 of Title 62 of the Pennsylvania
8 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a definition to read:

9 § 103. Definitions.

10 Subject to additional definitions contained in subsequent
11 provisions of this part which are applicable to specific
12 provisions of this part, the following words and phrases when
13 used in this part shall have the meanings given to them in this
14 section unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

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16 "Local farm or food product." A product grown, processed,
17 packaged and distributed by a resident or business located
18 wholly within this Commonwealth.

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2 Section 2. Section 512 of Title 62 is amended by adding a
3 subsection to read:

4 § 512. Competitive sealed bidding.

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6 (f.1) Locally sourced preference.--Notwithstanding any other
7 provision of law, a qualified bidder on a State contract for the
8 purchase of food or a food product that agrees to perform the
9 contract using a local farm or food product may be given
10 preference over other bidders if the cost included in the bid
11 with a local farm or food product does not exceed more than 10%
12 of the bid amount of the lowest responsible bidder.

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14 Section 3. The addition of 62 Pa.C.S. § 512(f.1) shall apply
15 to a bid submitted on or after the effective date of this
16 section.

17 Section 4. This act shall take effect in 60 days.