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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 134, L.D. 171, Bill, "AN ACT Concerning the Membership of the Standardization Committee."

Amend the Bill in that part designated "§1814." in the first paragraph by inserting after the first sentence the following:

'In addition, the State Purchasing Agent shall be an ex officio, nonvoting member of the committee.'

Further amend the Bill in that part designated "§1814." in the 3rd paragraph in the 2nd sentence by striking out the underlined words "the committee reasonable secretarial support" and inserting in their place the underlined words 'such assistance as the committee requests'

Further amend the Bill in that part designated "§1814." by striking out all of the last/<sup>underlined</sup>paragraph before the statement of fact and inserting in its place the following:

'In addition, whenever the State Purchasing Agent, after having received bids on a contract, <sup>awards the contract</sup> to anyone other than the lowest responsible bidder, shall notify the Standardization Committee. The Standardization Committee shall evaluate the reasons for that award in a written report. That report shall be made available for public inspection <sup>in</sup> the office of the Department of Finance and Administration during normal business hours.'

Statement of Fact

The purposes of this amendment are to:

1. Provide that the State Purchasing Agent shall be an ex officio, nonvoting member of the Standardization Committee;
2. Broaden the type of assistance required to be given by the <sup>State</sup> Purchasing Agent to the committee; and
3. Require the <sup>State</sup> Purchasing Agent to notify the committee of a contract awarded to other than the lowest bidder, and require the committee to evaluate such award.

Reported by the Committee on State Government.

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