

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# 117th MAINE LEGISLATURE

## FIRST REGULAR SESSION-1995

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Legislative Document

No. 1200

S.P. 432

In Senate, April 4, 1995

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**An Act to Encourage the Training and Hiring of Resident Workers.**

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Reference to the Committee on State and Local Government suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "May M. Ross".

MAY M. ROSS  
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator LONGLEY of Waldo.

Cosponsored by Senators: GOLDTHWAIT of Hancock, MICHAUD of Penobscot, STEVENS of Androscoggin, Representatives: CHICK of Lebanon, DAGGETT of Augusta.

**Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

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**Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §1825-B, sub-§7**, as amended by PL 1991, c. 780, Pt. Y, §70, is further amended to read:

**7. Awards to lowest bidder.** Except as otherwise provided by law, orders awarded or contracts made by the Director of the Bureau of General Services or by any department or agency of the State must be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder, taking into consideration the qualities of the goods or services to be supplied, their conformity with the specifications, the purposes for which they are required, the date of delivery and, the ultimate cost to the State, the importance of hiring and training resident workers and documented attempts by a bidder to hire and train both men and women. If the bidder that was initially awarded the order or contract does not perform, the Director of the Bureau of General Services may cancel the contract and award a new contract to the 2nd lowest responsible bidder. The order or contract may not be awarded to a bidder that the Director of the Bureau of General Services determined was not in compliance at the time the initial bid was submitted.

**STATEMENT OF FACT**

This bill requires the Director of the Bureau of General Services or any department or agency of the State purchasing goods or services through competitive bidding to take into consideration the importance of hiring and training resident workers and documented attempts by a bidder to hire and train both men and women.