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Services determined was not in compliance at the time the initial bid was submitted.

Sec. 2. 5 MRSA §1825-B, sub-§§9 and 10, as enacted by PL 1995, c. 387, §1, are amended to read:

9. Determination of best-value bidder. In determining the lowest responsible best-value bidder, the Director of the Bureau of General Services or any department or agency of the State shall, for the purpose of awarding a contract, add a percent increase on the bid of a nonresident bidder equal to the percent, if any, of the preference given to that bidder in the state in which the bidder resides.

10. List of state preferences published. The Director of the Bureau of General Services on or before January 1st of each year shall publish a list of states that give preference to in-state bidders with the percent increase applied in each such state. The Director of the Bureau of General Services or any department or agency of the State may rely on the names of states and percentages as published in determining the lowest responsible best-value bidder.

Sec. 3. 5 MRSA §1825-D, sub-§1-A is enacted to read:

1-A. Request for information. For requesting information from bidders that includes, but is not limited to, the degree to which the bidder meets or exceeds various state and federal regulatory requirements and any other state fiscal impact;

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CHAPTER 264

H.P. 577 - L.D. 768

An Act to Clarify the Right of a Real Estate Broker to a Lien on Land, Improvements or Structures

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

Sec. 1. 10 MRSA §3251, as amended by PL 1993, c. 137, §1, is further amended to read:

§3251. Lien established

Whoever performs labor or furnishes labor or materials, including repair parts of machines used, or performs services as a surveyor, an architect or an engineer, or as a real estate licensee, or as an ownerrenter, owner-lessor, or owner-supplier of equipment used in erecting, altering, moving or repairing a house, building or appurtenances, including any public building erected or owned by any city, town, county, school district or other municipal corporation, or in constructing, altering or repairing a wharf or pier, or any building thereon, including the surveying, clearing, grading, draining, excavating or landscaping of the ground adjacent to and upon which any such objects are constructed, or in selling any interest in land, improvements or structures, by virtue of a contract with or by consent of the owner, has a lien thereon and on the land on which it stands and on any interest such owner has in the same, to secure payment thereof, with costs. If the owner of the building has no legal interest in the land on which the building is erected or to which it is moved, the lien attaches to the building, and if the owner of the wharf or pier has no legal interest in the land on which the wharf or pier is erected, the lien attaches to the wharf or pier, and in either case may be enforced as provided. If the owner of such land, building, wharf or pier, so contracting, is a minor or married woman, such lien exists and such minority or coverture does not bar a recovery in any proceeding brought to enforce it.

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CHAPTER 265

S.P. 424 - L.D. 1345

An Act to Amend the Public Accountancy Laws

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

Sec. 1. 32 MRSA §12201, first ¶, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 489, §2, is amended to read:

As used in this section <u>chapter</u>, unless the context indicates otherwise, the following terms have the following meanings.

Sec. 2. 32 MRSA §12228, sub-§3, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 489, §2, is amended to read:

3. Education requirement. The education requirement for a certificate, which must be met no later than 120 days after before an applicant sits is eligible to apply for the examination prescribed in subsection 4, shall be a baccalaureate degree or its equivalent conferred by a college or university acceptable to the board. is as follows:

A. During the 5-year period immediately following October 1, 1997, a baccalaureate degree or its equivalent conferred by a college or university acceptable to the board; and