## CHAPTER 59

[Substitute House Bill No. 1379]
PUBLIC WORKS CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS—BID PRICE ADJUSTMENT
NEGOTIATIONS

AN ACT Relating to bids on public construction contracts; and adding a new section to chapter 39.04 RCW.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. A new section is added to chapter 39.04 RCW to read as follows:

Notwithstanding the provisions of RCW 39.04.010, a state contracting authority is authorized to negotiate an adjustment to a bid price, based upon agreed changes to the contract plans and specifications, with a low responsive bidder under the following conditions:

- (1) All bids for a state public works project involving buildings and any associated building utilities and appendants exceed the available funds, as certified by the appropriate fiscal officer;
- (2) The apparent low responsive bid does not exceed the available funds by: (a) Five percent on projects valued under one million dollars; (b) the greater of fifty thousand dollars or two and one-half percent for projects valued between one million dollars and five million dollars; or (c) the greater of one hundred twenty-five thousand dollars or one percent for projects valued over five million dollars; and
- (3) The negotiated adjustment will bring the bid price within the amount of available funds.

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## **CHAPTER 60**

[House Bill No. 1282]

MOTOR CARRIER FREIGHT BROKERS AND FORWARDERS—DEFINITIONS AND BONDING REQUIREMENTS

AN ACT Relating to the definition of motor carrier freight brokers and forwarders; and amending RCW 81.80.010 and 81.80.430.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

Sec. 1. Section 81.80.010, chapter 14, Laws of 1961 as last amended by section 1, chapter 31, Laws of 1988 and RCW 81.80.010 are each amended to read as follows:

The definitions set forth in this section apply throughout this chapter.