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Introduced by:

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AN ACT TO AMEND § 58D105, § 58D106, § 58D108 OF **CHAPTER** 58D **OF** TITLE 5, CODE **GUAM** ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO AUTHORIZING THE USE OF THE MULTI STEP BID SOURCE SELECTION RENOVATION METHOD FOR THEOR CONSTRUCTION OF SIMON **SANCHEZ** HIGH SCHOOL.

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

- 2 Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent.
- 3 I Liheslaturan Guåhan finds that Simon Sanchez High School faces the
- 4 combined challenges of deteriorating conditions, obsolescence, and overcrowding.
- 5 I Liheslaturan Guahan finds that the Government of Guam does not have
- 6 the debt capacity to borrow the capital needed to build and replace the Simon
- 7 Sanchez High School (SSHS). Hence, the design, build, and finance approach and
- 8 "using a municipal lease as a vehicle to build new educational facilities", would be
- 9 a good alternative.

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- 10 I Liheslaturan Guahan finds that P.L. 32-120 mandates the use of the
- 11 Request For Proposal (RFP) source selection method for the procurement of a
- 12 "...new education facility...." And the Government of Guam "...will amortize,
- 13 as lease payments to the contractor, the cost of the financing, design,

1 I Liheslaturan Guahan intends to amend P.L. 32-120 to remove the
2 restriction on the source selection method and allow for the use of the Multi-Step
3 Bid source selection method, pursuant to §5211(h) of 5 GCA and §3109 Chapter 3
4 of 2GAR, which is deemed to be more objective in the selection of a responsible
5 bidder whose bid is responsive and is the lowest annual leaseback cost to the
6 Government of Guam.

When low price is desired to be a determining factor for award to the bidder of an acceptable product, e.g. an education facility but it is considered preferable to evolve or test the adequacy of a purchase description's market feasibility, an Invitation for Bids may be issued and conducted in two phases, the first requesting the submission of unpriced technical offers, which may involve description of service qualifications and performance, in one or more rounds in which discussions may be conducted to supplement or amend technical offers or bid specifications or both, to be followed by a second phase in which the unsealed price bids of those bidders whose offers have been or become qualified as acceptable under the criteria set forth in the first phase are requested and then opened as in a normal competitive sealed bid process.

- **Section 2.** A new § 58D103(k), (l), and (m) are added to Chapter 58D of Title 5, Guam Code Annotated, to read as follows:
 - "(k) Responsible Bidder or <u>Offeror</u> means a person who has the capability in all respects to perform fully the contract requirements, and the integrity and reliability which will assure good faith performance.
 - (l) Responsive Bid means a bid which conforms, at bid opening, in all material respects to the Invitation for Bids. A responsive bid is an offer by the bidder which unconditionally undertakes to provide the supply, service or construction the government intends to acquire as specified in

the IFB, and only on contract terms and conditions as are materially consistent with those specified in the IFB.

(m) Responsive means conforming in all material respects to the purchase description and contract terms contained in the Invitation for Bids or Request for Proposal or Request for Quotes or other solicitation. A nonconforming bid is nonresponsive if it contains a material noncompliant term or condition that is in any respect prejudicial to other bidders, that is, the effect of such noncompliant term or condition on price, quantity, quality, delivery, or contractual terms specified in the IFB is more than negligible."

Section 3. § 58D105 of Chapter 58D of Title 5, Guam Code Annotated, is amended to read as follows:

"§ 58D105. Procurement. Subject to the approval of I Liheslaturan Guåhan, tThe government of Guam or an education agency shall solicit Requests for Proposals (RFP) or Multi-Step Competitive Sealed Bid pursuant to §5211(h) of 5 GCA and §3109 Chapter 3 of 2GAR, using whichever procurement method is deemed more appropriate, through the Department of Public Works, in compliance with the Guam procurement law, for the development of the comprehensive capital improvement plan, and the financing, design, renovation or construction of the education facility, together with insurance and maintenance of the education facility over the lease-back period, according to the needs of the education agency and consistent with this Chapter. The choice of the contractor shall be made by a selection committee comprised of the Superintendent of the Department of Education, serving as Chairman, and including the Director of the Department of Public Works or Deputy Director, the Director of the Department of Land Management or Deputy Director, the Administrator of the Guam

Environmental Protection Agency or Deputy Administrator, and the Administrator of the Guam Economic Development Authority or Deputy Administrator. The committee *shall* access assess the prior performance of the contractor on similar projects and may disqualify any Contractor that does not have a successful record of project completion on Guam.

The selection of a <u>responsible bidder eontractor</u> shall be based upon the <u>bid that is responsive</u> in meeting the objectives of the education agency <u>proposal</u> and is the lowest annual leaseback cost to the Government of Guam that delivers the best value for Guam.

The RFP or Multi-Step Competitive Sealed Bid shall be issued within thirty (30) days of enactment of this Act for the renovation or construction of a new Simon Sanchez High School on the existing site, which may include demolition of such portions of the existing facility as necessary."

Section 3. § 58D106 of Chapter 58D of Title 5, Guam Code Annotated, is amended to read as follows:

"§ 58D106. Responsibilities of Contractor. The contract *shall* require that the contractor will work with GDOE to develop the comprehensive capital improvement plan in connection with the design of a renovated or construction of a new Simon Sanchez High School. Further, the contractor *shall* be responsible for all costs, expenses and fees of any kind or nature, associated with the design, civil improvements, on-site and offsite infrastructure, construction, permits, and financing associated with the completion of an education facility, including the financing of furniture and equipment for the education facility, as, and to the extent, provided by the education agency in the Request for Proposals or Multi-Step Bid Competitive Sealed Bid. The contract will also require that all major subcontracts be covered by a performance bond; and further, that

there be a specific delivery date with liquidated damages for failure to deliver the school by the specified date. The contractor shall also be responsible for the capital maintenance of the schools during the leaseback period, but shall not be responsible for the capital maintenance of the furniture and equipment. The lease-back may provide that if sufficient funds are *not* appropriated or otherwise available for the payment of amounts due under the lease and any maintenance agreement, the education agency will have the obligation to vacate the education facility, and the contractor shall have the right of use and occupancy of the education facility for the remainder of the term of the lease, unless new mutually satisfactory terms are entered into. For this purpose, the lease may provide that its term shall be extended for a period *not to exceed* the shorter of ten (10) years beyond the original term of the lease-back or such period of time as is necessary to repay in full any financing arranged pursuant to § 58D108. The capital maintenance costs shall be paid by the education agency on a periodic basis as incurred by the contractor on terms to be agreed to in the contract for the education facility."

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Section 4. § 58D108 of Chapter 58D of Title 5, Guam Code Annotated, is amended to read as follows:

"§ 58D108. Use of Tax-Exempt Bonds for Financing. To minimize the financing cost to the education agency, financing utilized by the contractor to fund the design, renovation or construction of an education facility *shall may* be through tax-exempt obligations or other financial instruments, provided, such financing is available at interest rates determined by the education agency to be reasonable and competitive. Alternatively, the contractor may use an alternative method of financing, including, but *not* limited to, a short term debt, mortgage, loan, federally guaranteed loan or

loan by an instrumentality of the United States of America, if such financing will better serve the needs of the people of Guam. Such alternative financing *shall* be approved by *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*. The purpose for the requirements of this Section is to assure the education agency pays the lowest possible interest rate so that the cost to the education agency of financing the design, renovation or construction of an education facility, amortized through the lease-back payments from the education agency to the contractor, will be lower than regular commercial rates."

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Section 5. Severability. *If* any provision of this Act or its application to any person or circumstance is found to be invalid or contrary to law, such invalidity *shall not* affect other provisions or applications of this Act which can be given effect without the invalid provisions or application, and to this end the provisions of this Act are severable."