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# STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

#### IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

#### JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2014

#### AN ACT

#### RELATING TO PUBLIC PROPERTY AND WORKS -- STATE PURCHASES

Introduced By: Representative Agostinho F.Silva

Date Introduced: March 27, 2014

Referred To: House Finance

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

- SECTION 1. Section 37-2-44 of the General Laws in Chapter 37-2 entitled "State
  Purchases" is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 3 <u>37-2-44. Cost and pricing principles -- Regulations required. --</u> The chief purchasing
  officer shall issue regulations setting forth cost principles which shall be used:
- 5 (1) As guidelines in the negotiation of:
- 6 (i) Estimated costs of fixed prices when the absence of open marker competition7 precludes the use of competitive sealed bidding;
- 8 (ii) Adjustments for state-directed changes or modifications in contract performances;
- 9 and

10 (iii) Settlements of contracts which have been terminated.

11 (2) To determine the allowability of incurred costs which shall include consequential

12 damages inclusive of project overhead arising from project acceleration, out of sequence

13 performance or project delay which may have resulted from the untimely processing and

- 14 acceptance of contract change orders for the purpose of reimbursing costs under contract
- 15 provisions which provide for the reimbursement of costs; and
- 16 (3) As appropriate in any other situation where the determination of the estimated or the17 incurred costs of performing contracts may be required.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.



### **EXPLANATION**

### BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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1 This act would amend the law on state purchases so that when the chief purchasing 2 officer determines an allowable cost it would include the cost of consequential damages which 3 may have resulted from the untimely processing and acceptance of contract change orders.

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This act would take effect upon passage.

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