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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2018

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RELATING TO PUBLIC PROPERTY AND WORKS -- STATE PURCHASES

Introduced By: Representatives Lancia, Chippendale, Mendonca, Marshall, and
Jacquard

Date Introduced: January 12, 2018

Referred To: House Finance

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 37-2 of the General Laws entitled "State Purchases" is hereby
2 amended by adding thereto the following section:

3 **37-2-15.1. Adjustment for Rhode Island bidder.**

4 In determining the lowest responsible bidder on a contract to supply office equipment
5 and/or machinery, the lowest responsible bidder shall be a Rhode Island business entity
6 conducting business from a commercial building located in Rhode Island so long as its bid is no
7 more than five percent (5%) higher than the lowest bid for such contract by a non-Rhode Island
8 bidder as so defined.

9 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION
BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
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1 This act would provide Rhode Island bidders on contracts to purchase office equipment
2 and/or machinery a five percent (5%) adjustment when determining the lowest responsible
3 bidder.

4 This act would take effect upon passage.

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