

No. 1986-195

## AN ACT

HB 37

Amending the act of June 24, 1931 (P.L.1206, No.331), entitled "An act concerning townships of the first class; amending, revising, consolidating, and changing the law relating thereto," further providing for advertisements relating to contracts.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. Section 1802(a) of the act of June 24, 1931 (P.L.1206, No.331), known as The First Class Township Code, reenacted and amended May 27, 1949 (P.L.1955, No.569) and amended December 22, 1981 (P.L.535, No.154), is amended to read:

Section 1802. General Regulations Concerning Contracts.—(a) All contracts or purchases made by any township, involving the expenditure of over four thousand dollars, except those hereinafter mentioned, shall not be made except with and from the lowest responsible bidder, shall be in writing, and shall be made only after notice by the secretary, published, in one newspaper of general circulation, published or circulating in the county in which the township is situated, at least ~~[three]~~ *two* times at intervals of not less than three days where daily newspapers of general circulation are employed for such publication, or in case weekly newspapers are employed then the notice shall be published once a week for two successive weeks. The first advertisement shall be published *not more than forty-five days and the second advertisement* not less than ten days prior to the date fixed for the opening of bids. *Advertisements for contracts or purchases shall also be posted in a conspicuous place within the township.* All plans and specifications shall be on file at least ten days in advance of opening bids. The amount of the contract shall in all cases, whether of straight sale price, conditional sale, bailment lease, or otherwise, be the entire amount which the township pays to the successful bidder or his assigns in order to obtain the services or property, or both, and shall not be construed to mean only the amount which is paid to acquire title or to receive any other particular benefit or benefits of the whole bargain.

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Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.

APPROVED—The 17th day of December, A. D. 1986.

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