# **100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

# State of Illinois

# 2017 and 2018

### SB3467

Introduced 2/16/2018, by Sen. Dale Fowler

# SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

30 ILCS 500/45-95 new

Amends the Illinois Procurement Code. Provides that when a contract is to be awarded through a competitive bidding process, the price offered by a qualified HUBZone small business concern shall be deemed to be lower than the price offered by another responsible bidder, potential contractor, or offeror, if the price offered by the qualified HUBZone small business concern is not more than 10% higher than the price offered by the other responsible bidder, potential contractor, or offeror. Requires each chief procurement officer to establish rules related to the eligibility of qualified HUBZone small business concerns to receive preference, and to verify the accuracy of any information submitted by a qualified HUBZone small business concern with respect to a contract awarded. Provides that the provisions regarding HUBZone business contracts shall not apply to construction procurements and construction-related services procurements. Defines terms.

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1 AN ACT concerning finance.

# 2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 3 represented in the General Assembly:

4 Section 5. The Illinois Procurement Code is amended by 5 adding Section 45-95 as follows:

- 6 (30 ILCS 500/45-95 new)
- 7 <u>Sec. 45-95. HUBZone business contracts.</u>
- 8 (a) For the purposes of this Section:

9	"HUBZone business" means a business that operates and
10	employs people in Historically Underutilized Business
11	Zones (HUBZone) as designated by the federal HUBZone
12	Empowerment Act.
13	"Qualified HUBZone small business concern" means a

14 <u>business that qualifies under the HUBZone program</u> 15 <u>administered by the United States Small Business</u> 16 Administration.

17"Responsible bidder, potential contractor, or offeror"18has the same meaning ascribed to that term in Section191-15.80 of this Code.

20 (b) When a contract is to be awarded through a competitive 21 bidding process as provided under this Code, the price offered 22 by a qualified HUBZone small business concern shall be deemed 23 to be lower than the price offered by another responsible

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bidder, potential contractor, or	r offeror, if the price offered		
by the qualified HUBZone small	business concern is not more		
than 10% higher than the price o	ffered by the other responsible		
bidder, potential contractor, or	offeror.		
(c) Each chief procurement	officer shall establish rules,		
in consultation with the proc	uring agency, related to the		
eligibility of qualified HUBZo	ne small business concerns to		
receive preference under this	Section, and shall verify the		
accuracy of any information submitted by a qualified HUBZone			
small business concern with resp	ect to a contract awarded under		

11 this Section.

12 <u>(d) The provisions of this Section shall not apply to</u> 13 <u>construction procurements and construction-related services</u> 14 <u>procurements.</u>