

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Seven.

BILL FILING TEMPLATE

Be It Enacted, by the Senate and House of Representatives, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 6 of chapter 418 of the acts of 1890, as amended by section 2 of chapter 156 of the acts of 1939, as amended by section 1 of chapter 376 of the acts of 1952, as amended by section 1 of chapter 60 of the acts of 1955, as amended by section 1 of chapter 373 of the acts of 1992, and as further amended by section 1 of chapter 262 of the acts of 1998 is hereby amended by striking out the first sentence, as stricken and amended by section 3 of chapter 262 of the acts of 1998, and inserting in place thereof the following sentence: "All contracts made by any department of the city of Boston or by any officer, board or official of the county of Suffolk having power to incur obligations on behalf of said county in cases where said obligations are to be paid for wholly from the treasury of said city, shall, when the amount involved is at the threshold for purchases requiring competitive, sealed bids or proposals under M.G.L. c.30B, sections 5(a) and 6(a), or when the contract comes within section 30 of chapter 486 of the acts of 1909, be in writing; and no such contract shall be deemed to have been made or executed until the approval of the mayor of said city has been affixed thereto in writing and the auditor of said city has certified thereon that an appropriation is available therefor or has cited thereon the statute under authority of which the contract is being executed without an appropriation."

SECTION 2. Section 30 of chapter 486 of the acts of 1909, amended by section 2 of chapter 376 of the acts of 1952, amended by section 2 of chapter 60 of the acts of 1955, as amended by section 2 of chapter 373 of the acts of 1992, is hereby amended by striking the entire section and inserting in place thereof the following section: "Every officer or board in charge of a department in said city and every, board or official of the county of Suffolk having power to incur obligations on behalf of said county in cases where said obligations are to be paid for wholly from the treasury of said city, when authorized to erect a new building or to make structural changes in an existing building, shall make contracts therefor, not exceeding five, each contract to be subject to the approval of the mayor; and when about to do any work or make any purchase, the

estimated cost of which alone, or in conjunction with other similar work or purchase which might properly be included in the same contract, amounts to or exceeds the threshold amount as set forth in M.G.L. c. 149A, section 44A(2)(C) and M.G.L. c. 30, section 39M, shall, unless the mayor gives written authority to do otherwise, invite proposals therefor by advertisements in the City Record. Such advertisement shall state the time and place for opening the proposals in answer to said advertisement, and shall reserve the right to the officer or board to reject any or all proposals. No authority to dispense with advertising shall be given by the mayor unless the said officer or board furnishes him with a signed statement which shall be published in the City Record giving in detail the reasons for not inviting bids by advertisement."

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.