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HOUSE BILL NO. 1034

Introduced by: The Committee on State Affairs at the request of the Bureau of Administration

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to exempt the purchasing of utilities from certain
2 competitive bid requirements.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:

4 Section 1. That § 5-23-3 be amended to read as follows:

5 5-23-3. The Bureau of Administration shall classify all furniture and fixtures, equipment,
6 supplies, printing and stationery, fuel, clothing, foodstuffs, ~~utilities~~ and other commodities,
7 purchased for the use of every department, institution, and agency of state government. The
8 bureau shall group items of the same class into each of the several commodity classifications so
9 that contracts may be grouped for like commodities or classes of commodities. The bureau shall
10 prepare and furnish to every department, institution, and agency of state government, and to any
11 interested person, firm, or corporation, copies of the commodity classifications and a schedule
12 of dates on which bids for each class of commodities are opened. The bureau shall fix the dates
13 for opening bids on commodities in each respective class and for every department, institution,
14 and agency of state government to submit estimates of the quantities needed. The bureau may
15 also issue special bid lettings in order to facilitate economic and efficient procurement of
16 commodities for state agencies. If the purchase in a class is equal to or less than fifteen thousand
17 dollars, the bureau is not required to let bids if it first files a written justification with the

1 requisition, setting forth the reasons why it is in the best interest of the state not to request bids.