CHAPTER 145

TARGETED SMALL BUSINESS PROCUREMENT — STATE AGENCY PURCHASING REQUIREMENTS

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AN ACT concerning state purchasing requirements relating to targeted small business procurement goals.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. Section 8A.311, subsection 10, paragraph a, Code 2019, is amended to read as follows:

a. The director shall adopt rules providing that any state agency may, upon request and approval by the department, purchase directly from a vendor if the direct purchasing is more economical than purchasing through the department, if the agency shows that direct purchasing by the state agency would be in the best interests of the state due to an immediate or emergency need, or if the purchase will not exceed ten thousand dollars an amount, not to exceed twenty-five thousand dollars, determined by the department by rule and the purchase would contribute to the agency complying with the targeted small business procurement goals under sections 73.15 through 73.21.

Sec. 2. Section 8A.311, subsection 10, Code 2019, is amended by adding the following new paragraph:

<u>NEW PARAGRAPH</u>. c. By January 15 of each year, the department shall submit to the general assembly electronically an annual report of contracts awarded to targeted small businesses, as defined in section 15.102, in the previous fiscal year pursuant to paragraph "a" authorizing direct purchasing by a state agency if the purchase will not exceed an amount determined by the department by rule and would contribute to the agency complying with the targeted small business goals under sections 73.15 through 73.21.

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