CHAPTER 1143

VIOLATIONS OF IOWA COMPETITION LAW S.F. 2253

AN ACT relating to the penalty for violation of the Iowa competition law and providing for a prohibition from bidding on governmental contracts by persons convicted of violations of the Iowa competition law.

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

Section 1. Section 553.14, Code 1983, is amended by adding the following new unnumbered paragraph:

NEW UNNUMBERED PARAGRAPH. A person having substantial control over an enterprise who knowingly and willfully engages in bid-rigging or price fixing involving a contract with the state or a governmental agency is guilty of a class "D" felony.

Sec. 2. <u>NEW SECTION</u>. 553.18 DEBARMENT. A contractor or supplier of goods or services to the state or a governmental agency, and the enterprise for which the illegal action was taken, convicted under this chapter, or convicted under the laws of any other state or the federal government for actions which would constitute a violation of this chapter, are prohibited from bidding on a governmental contract for one year from the date of conviction, unless the state or governmental agency accepting bids expressly allows the contractor or supplier to bid after being informed of the conviction.

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