

SENATE FILE 2218
BY REDFERN

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the estimated cost of certain public
2 improvements requiring public bidding procedures.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT

1 Section 1. Section 384.96, Code 1999, is amended to read
2 as follows:

3 384.96 SEALED BIDS.

4 When the estimated total cost to a city of a public
5 improvement exceeds the sum of ~~twenty-five~~ fifty thousand
6 dollars, the governing body shall advertise for sealed bids
7 for the proposed improvement by publishing a notice to bidders
8 as provided in section 362.3, except that the notice to
9 bidders may be published more than twenty days but not more
10 than forty-five days before the date for filing bids.

11 Sec. 2. Section 384.102, Code 1999, is amended to read as
12 follows:

13 384.102 WHEN HEARING NECESSARY.

14 When the estimated total cost of a public improvement
15 exceeds the sum of ~~twenty-five~~ fifty thousand dollars, the
16 governing body shall not enter into a contract for the
17 improvement until it has held a public hearing on the proposed
18 plans, specifications, and form of contract, and estimated
19 cost for the improvement. Notice of the hearing must be
20 published as provided in section 362.3. At the hearing any
21 interested person may appear and file objections to the
22 proposed plans, specifications, contract, or estimated cost of
23 the improvement. After hearing objections, the governing body
24 shall by resolution enter its decision on the plans,
25 specifications, contract, and estimated cost.

26 EXPLANATION

27 This bill increases the estimated cost of a city public
28 improvement requiring public bidding procedures from \$25,000
29 to \$50,000. By reference, this bill also increases the
30 estimated cost of a rural water district improvement requiring
31 public bidding procedures to \$50,000.

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