

**House File 821 - Introduced**

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**A BILL FOR**

- 1 An Act creating a contractor performance assessment system.
- 2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 26.9, Code 2025, is amended by adding the  
2 following new subsection:

3 NEW SUBSECTION. 3. A governmental entity may use the  
4 information provided on the contractor performance assessment  
5 system created in section 26.17 to determine if a bidder is  
6 responsible.

7 Sec. 2. NEW SECTION. **26.17 Contractor performance**  
8 **assessment system.**

9 1. The department of administrative services shall create  
10 and maintain a contractor performance assessment system on an  
11 internet site accessible to governmental entities for the purpose  
12 of assessing contractor performance on public improvements under  
13 this chapter.

14 2. The department shall develop for use on the internet  
15 site a performance grading system for architects, engineers, and  
16 contractors who have performed work on a public improvement in  
17 this state. The performance grading system shall be based on  
18 performance metrics, including but not limited to all of the  
19 following:

- 20 a. Whether the work was performed in a timely manner.  
21 b. Whether the cost exceeded the amount budgeted and, if so,  
22 by what amount.  
23 c. The history of change orders.

24 EXPLANATION

25 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with  
26 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

27 This bill requires the department of administrative services  
28 (DAS) to create and maintain a contractor performance assessment  
29 system on an internet site that is accessible to governmental  
30 entities for the purpose of assessing contractor performance on  
31 public improvements. DAS must develop a performance grading  
32 system for architects, engineers, and contractors based on  
33 performance metrics for use on the internet site. The bill  
34 provides that a governmental entity may use the contractor  
35 performance assessment system to determine if a bidder is

1 responsible.

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