ORIGINAL HOUSE BILL NO. <u>HB0023</u>

ENROLLED ACT NO. 15, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SIXTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING 2020 BUDGET SESSION

AN ACT relating to school districts; clarifying that procurement activities by a school district that are conducted through a board of cooperative educational services are subject to publication and competitive bidding requirements; and providing for an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:

**Section 1**. W.S. 21-3-110(a)(viii) is amended to read:

## 21-3-110. Duties of boards of trustees.

(a) The board of trustees in each school district shall:

(viii) Obtain competitive bids when any purchase of insurance, supplies or materials other than textbooks costing more than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) and less than twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00) contemplated unless precluded by other regulation statute. Ιf the amount of the purchase of insurance, supplies or materials other than textbooks is equal to or exceeds twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00), a call for bids shall be published at least once in a newspaper of general circulation in the district. When any building is to be built costing fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00) or more or when any repairs, additions or improvements costing fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00) or more are to be made to any school building, facility or other district property, the board shall obtain competitive bids and publish a call for bids in a newspaper of general circulation in the state at least once each week for two (2) consecutive weeks. The district shall reserve the right to reject any and all bids and to waive irregularities and informalities in the bidding. No contract shall be divided ORIGINAL HOUSE BILL NO. HB0023

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for the purpose of avoiding this paragraph. Items for which bids must be obtained may be described in the published call for bids by stating general requirements and making detailed specifications available to prospective bidders at the district's administrative headquarters. A district shall independently meet the requirements of this paragraph when procuring goods or services that are subject to this paragraph through a board of cooperative educational services. The requirements of this paragraph shall not apply to the procurement of professional services of architects, engineers or surveyors when the board seeks to procure professional services pursuant to W.S. 9-2-1027 through 9-2-1033;

Section 2. This act is effective July 1, 2020.

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