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45TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2002 2 3 INTRODUCED BY Stuart Ingle 5 6 7 8 9 10 AN ACT 11 RELATING TO THE PROCUREMENT CODE; CLARIFYING REMEDIES BEFORE 12 EXECUTION OF CONTRACT AND RATIFICATION OR TERMINATION AFTER 13 EXECUTION OF CONTRACT; AMENDING SECTIONS OF THE NMSA 1978. 14 15 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO: 16 Section 1. Section 13-1-181 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1984, 17 Chapter 65, Section 154) is amended to read: 18 "13-1-181. REMEDIES PRIOR TO [AWARD] EXECUTION OF 19 <u>CONTRACT</u>. -- If prior to [award] the execution of a valid, 20 written contract by all parties and necessary approval 21 authorities, the state purchasing agent or a central 22 purchasing office makes a determination that a solicitation or

proposed award of [a] the proposed contract is in violation of

law, then the solicitation or proposed award shall be

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[cancelled] canceled. "

Section 2. Section 13-1-182 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1984, Chapter 65, Section 155) is amended to read:

"13-1-182. RATIFICATION OR TERMINATION AFTER [AN AWARD]

EXECUTION OF CONTRACT. -- If after [an award] the execution of a valid, written contract by all parties and necessary approval authorities, the state purchasing agent or a central purchasing office makes a determination that a solicitation or award of [a] the contract [is] was in violation of law and if the business awarded the contract [has not acted] did not act fraudulently or in bad faith:

A. the contract may be ratified, affirmed and revised to comply with law, provided that a determination is made that doing so is in the best interests of a state agency or a local public body; or

B. the contract may be terminated, and the [business awarded the contract] contractor shall be compensated for the actual expenses reasonably incurred under the contract plus a reasonable profit prior to termination."

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