

HB 92 -- Design-Build Contracts by School Districts

Sponsor: Molendorp

This bill authorizes any school district to enter into design-build contracts for construction projects. In its main provisions, the bill:

- (1) Establishes design-build contract procedures for school districts and contractors;
- (2) Requires school boards to adopt procedures for requesting proposals and evaluating and awarding contracts from up to five prequalified contractors;
- (3) Establishes advertising requirements and procedures for submitting and opening proposals and for when re-advertising is necessary;
- (4) Allows responsive bidders who are not awarded a contract to receive a reasonable stipend;
- (5) Specifies that a payment bond is required, but the performance bond does not need to cover design services if the contractor or subcontractor providing design services carries professional liability insurance in an amount established by the school district in the request for proposals;
- (6) Requires architects, engineers, and land surveyors to be licensed or authorized in Missouri unless the subcontractors performing the services are properly licensed and authorized;
- (7) Requires a district to retain an architect or engineer unless it already retains one; and
- (8) Prohibits the architect or engineer from acting as the design-build contractor or subcontractor for the project.