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SENATE BILL No. 1017

January 16, 2008, Introduced by Senators SCHAUER, ANDERSON, OLSHOVE, JACOBS, GLEASON, PRUSI, BARCIA and BASHAM and referred to the Committee on Commerce and Tourism.

A bill to prohibit vendors of procurement contracts with local units of government from employing persons not authorized to work in the United States; to require certain affirmations; and to provide for remedies.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- Sec. 1. A local unit of government shall not award a procurement contract to a vendor unless the vendor has submitted a verified statement affirming all of the following:
 - (a) Within the past 5 years the vendor or an officer of the vendor has not been convicted of, or been held responsible in an administrative hearing or other civil proceeding for, violating a state or federal law respecting the employment of persons not authorized to work in the United States.

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- 1 (b) In performing the contract, the vendor will not directly
- 2 or indirectly employ a person who is unauthorized to work in the
- 3 United States.
- 4 (c) The vendor will take reasonable steps to ascertain that
- 5 each person employed to perform services directly or indirectly
- 6 under the procurement contract is authorized to work in the United
- 7 States.
- 8 (d) If the vendor learns that a person who is not authorized
- 9 to work in the United States is performing services directly or
- 10 indirectly on the procurement contract, the vendor will immediately
- 11 replace, or require the subcontractor to replace, that person with
- 12 an authorized worker.
- Sec. 2. If the local unit of government determines that a
- 14 contractor or subcontractor knowingly submitted false information
- 15 or knowingly violated the affirmations required under section 1,
- 16 the local unit of government may do 1 or more of the following:
- 17 (a) Cancel the contract.
- 18 (b) Require forfeiture to the local unit of government of up
- 19 to 20% of the payment due under the contract.
- (c) Debar the vendor or subcontractor from bidding on, or
- 21 award of, procurement contracts with the local unit of government
- 22 for a period of up to 5 years.
- Sec. 3. As used in this act, "local unit of government" means
- 24 a county, city, village, or township.