

DEPARTMENT OF SHARED ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES
OFFICE OF STATE PROCUREMENT
RULES GOVERNING THE GENERAL PROVISIONS OF PROCUREMENT

PUBLIC COMMENTS

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19 CAR 1-101 (a)

This will add red tape and bureaucracy to the current process. We are requesting the current language remains the same, in which this applies to professional consultant services where the dollar value is greater than twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000).

19 CAR § 1-103(a)(1)

In the interest of efficient renewals, I think the words "for services" should be added to 19 CAR § 1-103 (a)(1) after the first appearance of the words "a contract" since the duty not to renew a public contract with a contractor who employs or contracts with illegal immigrants only applies to service contracts. See Ark. Code Ann. § 19-60-105(b).

19 CAR § 1-104 (e)(2)(B)

We recommend that the language of the rule be modified to reflect that the governing boards of exempt higher education institutions have clear statutory authority to set procurement policy architectural, engineering, land surveying, and construction management professional consultant services without any regard to a \$75,000 threshold.

19 CAR 1-537 (c)

Recommend removing "for legislative review" to avoid confusing the reporting obligation with the obligation to submit contracts for review.

19 CAR 1-702

This is inconsistent with the statute in that it restricts the submission of protests to OSP. We recommend that the language of the rule be realigned to match that of the statute, which contemplates APOs or chief executive officers of procurement agencies can determine a protest.