

75-3739a. Reverse auctioning electronic procurement process. (a) Subject to the provisions of K.S.A. 75-3317 through 75-3322, and amendments thereto, the director of purchases shall have power to utilize the reverse auctioning electronic procurement process for the purchase of selected goods or materials for one or more state agencies in accordance with this section. The director of purchases shall adopt policies and procedures for such reverse auctioning electronic procurements process in accordance with and subject to the provisions of this section.

(b) The provisions of K.S.A. 75-430, and amendments thereto, relating to advertisements in the Kansas register and the provisions of K.S.A. 75-3739 et seq., and amendments thereto, regarding procedures for sealed bidding and the opening of bids shall not apply to bids or purchases conducted under the reverse auctioning electronic procurement process in accordance with this section. All bids submitted under the reverse auctioning electronic procurement process in accordance with this section shall be subject to the open records act.

(c) Reverse auctioning shall not be used for the acquisition of any services for construction projects or for the acquisition of any other services.

(d) As used in this section, "reverse auctioning" means a procurement process following procedures approved by the director of purchases where bidders are invited to bid on specific goods through real-time electronic bidding, with the award being made to the lowest responsible and responsive bidder; during the bidding process, bidders' prices are revealed and bidders shall have the opportunity to modify their bid prices for the duration of the time period established for the bid opening.

History: L. 2001, ch. 212, § 1; L. 2002, ch. 183, § 1; L. 2003, ch. 114, § 7; July 1.