

**BIDS**

The district shall purchase equipment, supplies and services using competitive bidding when required by law and in accordance with statutory requirements for bidding and bidding procedures. In those circumstances where the law does not require competitive bidding, the Governing Board may request that a contract be competitively bid if the Board determines that it is in the best interest of the district to do so.

When the Board has determined that it is in the best interest of the district, the Board may piggyback onto the contract of another public agency or corporation to lease or purchase equipment or supplies to the extent authorized by law.

To ensure that good value is received for funds expended, specifications shall be carefully designed and shall describe in detail the quality, delivery and service required.

To assist the district in determining whether bidders are responsible, the Board may require prequalification procedures as allowed by law and specified in administrative regulation.

*(cf. 9270 - Conflict of Interest)*

*Legal Reference: (see next page)*

**BIDS** (continued)

*Legal Reference:*

EDUCATION CODE

17595 Purchases through Department of General Services  
38083 Purchase of perishable foodstuffs and seasonable commodities  
38110 Purchase of supplies through county superintendent  
38111 Purchases by district governing board  
38112 Purchases of necessary supplies  
39802 Transportation bids and contracts for services

GOVERNMENT CODE

4330-4334 Preference of California-made materials  
6252 Definition of public record  
53060 Special services and advice  
54201-54205 Purchase of supplies and equipment by local agencies

PUBLIC CONTRACT CODE

2001-2001 Responsive bidders  
3400 Bids, specifications by brand or trade name not permitted  
3410 United States produce and processed foods  
6610 Bid visits  
12200 Definitions, recycled goods, materials and supplies  
20103.8 Award of contracts  
20107 Bidder's security  
20111-20118.4 School districts  
20189 Bidder's security, earthquake relief  
22002 Definition of public project  
22030-22045 Alternative procedures for public projects (UPCCAA)  
22050 Alternative emergency procedures

COURT DECISIONS

Konica Business Machines v. Regents of the University of California, (1988) 206 Cal.App.3d 449

City of Inglewood-Los Angeles County Civic Center Authority v. Superior Court, (1972) 7 Cal.3d 861

ATTORNEY GENERAL OPINIONS

89 Ops.Cal.Atty.Gen. 1 (2006)

*Management Resources:*

WEB SITES

CSBA: <http://www.csba.org>

California Association of School Business Officials: <http://www.casbo.org>