

## LEGISLATIVE BILL 86

Approved by the Governor May 12, 2017

Introduced by Blood, 3.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to highways and bridges; to amend section 39-810, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to opening bids; and to repeal the original section.  
Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

Section 1. Section 39-810, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

39-810 (1)(a) The county board of each county may erect and repair all bridges and approaches thereto and build all culverts and make improvements on roads, including the purchase of gravel for roads, and stockpile any materials to be used for such purposes, the cost and expense of which shall for no project exceed one hundred thousand dollars.

(b) All contracts for the erection or repair of bridges and approaches thereto or for the building of culverts and improvements on roads, the cost and expense of which shall exceed one hundred thousand dollars, shall be let by the county board to the lowest responsible bidder.

(c) All contracts for materials for repairing, erecting, and constructing bridges and approaches thereto or culverts or for the purchase of gravel for roads, the cost and expense of which exceed twenty thousand dollars, shall be let to the lowest responsible bidder, but the board may reject any and all bids submitted for such materials.

(d) Upon rejection of any bid or bids by the board of such a county, such board shall have power and authority to purchase materials to repair, erect, or construct the bridges of such county, approaches thereto, or culverts or to purchase gravel for roads.

(e) All contracts for bridge erection or repair, approaches thereto, culverts, or road improvements in excess of twenty thousand dollars shall require individual cost-accounting records on each individual project. The total costs of each such separate project shall be included in the annual reports to the Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards as required by section 39-2120.

(2)(a) Except as otherwise provided in subdivision (b) of this subsection, all ~~All~~ bids for the letting of contracts shall be deposited with the county clerk of such a county, opened by him or her in the presence of the county board, and filed in such clerk's office.

(b) In a county with a population of more than one hundred fifty thousand inhabitants with a purchasing agent under section 23-3105, the bids shall be opened as directed pursuant to section 23-3111.

Sec. 2. Original section 39-810, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is repealed.