

BEFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE
METROPOLITAN SERVICE DISTRICT

FOR THE PURPOSE OF EXEMPTING) RESOLUTION NO. 84-495
CERTAIN EMPLOYER BENEFIT INSURANCE)
POLICIES FROM COMPETITIVE BIDDING) Introduced by
Executive Officer

WHEREAS, Section 2.04.030(g) of the Public Contract Review Procedures specifically exempted contracts for insurance from public bidding prior to the adoption of Ordinance No. 84-175 on July 5, 1984; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 84-175 amended the Public Contract Review Procedures by limiting the insurance exemption only to certain medical benefit policies; and

WHEREAS, Metro's employee benefit insurance policies were intended to be renewed prior to the adoption of the new Code provisions and, therefore, under the exemption from competitive bidding; and

WHEREAS, The contract for Workers' Compensation insurance was awarded through the public bid process in 1983, and the new contract was carefully reviewed Metro staff; and

WHEREAS, The contract for Health Maintenance Organization (HMO) insurance appears to fall under the revised Code exemption and has been carefully reviewed by staff for cost containment purposes; and

WHEREAS, The Oregon Administrative Rules specifically exempt employee benefit insurance from competitive bidding (OAR 125-310-139); and

WHEREAS, There is not time available to continue to provide employee benefits through insurance policies for this year

and to use the public bid process; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Code Section 2.04.011(b)(6)(c) the Council finds that: (1) exempting the medical benefit and Workers' Compensation insurance policies from the public bidding process will not encourage favoritism or diminish competition because the state has a policy of exempting these contracts and because these contracts have been professionally reviewed, and (2) that cost savings will result because Metro will have to pay for these benefits directly if insurance is not promptly provided; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED,

That the insurance policies for Workers' Compensation and HMO medical benefits for employees for FY 1984 are hereby exempted from competitive bidding.

ADOPTED by the Council of the Metropolitan Service District this 23rd day of August, 1984.



Presiding Officer

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