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A BILL

FOR AN ACT relating to city contracts; to amend section 49-14,102,
Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to permit certain
cities to set limits on certain contracts; to provide for
applicability of provisions; and to repeal the original
section.

Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

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1 Section 1. Section 49-14,102, Reissue Revised Statutes of

- 2 Nebraska, is amended to read:
- 3 49-14,102 (1) Except as otherwise provided by law, no
- 4 public official or public employee, a member of that individual's
- 5 immediate family, or business with which the individual is associated
- 6 shall enter into a contract valued at two thousand dollars or more,
- 7 in any one year, with a government body unless the contract is
- 8 awarded through an open and public process.
- 9 (2) For purposes of this section, an open and public
- 10 process includes prior public notice and subsequent availability for
- 11 public inspection during the regular office hours of the contracting
- 12 government body of the proposals considered and the contract awarded.
- 13 (3) No contract may be divided for the purpose of evading
- 14 the requirements of this section.
- 15 (4) This section shall not apply to a contract when the
- 16 public official or public employee does not in any way represent
- 17 either party in the transaction.
- 18 (5) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section,
- 19 any city of the metropolitan, primary, or first class may prohibit
- 20 <u>contracts over a specific dollar amount in which a public official or</u>
- 21 <u>a public employee of such city may have an interest.</u>
- (5) (6) This section prohibits public officials and
- 23 public employees from engaging in certain activities under
- 24 circumstances creating a substantial conflict of interest. This
- 25 section is not intended to penalize innocent persons, and a contract

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- shall not be absolutely void by reason of this section.
- 2 (7) This section does not apply to contracts covered by
- 3 <u>sections 49-14,103.01 to 49-14,103.06.</u>
- 4 Sec. 2. Original section 49-14,102, Reissue Revised
- 5 Statutes of Nebraska, is repealed.