


MEMORANDUM

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MARK CHERPAK, DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND OPERATIONS

FROM: IRA WEISS, ESQUIRE  
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RE: BID LIMITS FOR 2021

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The Pennsylvania Department of Labor and Industry is required by statute to annually publish changes to the base amounts for school district and municipal contracts that trigger the requirements for competitively sealed bids and written or telephone quotations. The base amounts have been increased by the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U).

The following thresholds became effective January 1, 2021. The amounts have increased slightly from 2020.

| <u>Type</u>                       | <u>Amount</u>        |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------|
| Competitive sealed bids           | \$21,300 and above   |
| Three written or telephone quotes | \$11,500 to \$20,299 |
| No statutory requirements         | \$1 to \$11,499      |

The exceptions for contracts that are exempt from these requirements have not changed. Should you have any specific questions on the applicability of these limits to a particular contract, our office is ready and able to assist you.