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Public Contract Code § 10124 - Compiled June, 2011

Our review of the annotated history reveals the following legislative history (every “c.” below represents a separate legislative bill):

Prior History:

- 1875-76, c. 325, §5; amended 1907, c. 185
- 1909, c. 387, §4; amended 1915, c. 666; amended and renumbered §10 in 1933, c. 788; 1939, c. 224
- Former Govt Code 14274, added 1945, c. 118

Current:

Added: 1981, c. 306
Amended: None to date

A brief review of the above chapters revealed the **1915** bill first enacted:

...This section shall not be construed, in state road or highway work, to prevent the receipt of bids or the making of a contract upon a unit basis, that is, the bids compared upon the basis of the estimates of quantities of the work to be done ...

At this time, the applicable language was part of a larger section involving changes to contracts.

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