15B.10 DESIGN COMPETITIONS.

Subdivision 1. **Required and permitted competitions.** (a) The board must secure plans for a new public building by a competition.

(b) A competition also may be used for plans for a proposed (1) comprehensive plan; (2) landscaping scheme; (3) street plan; (4) property acquisition; or (5) change to a public building, landscaping scheme, or street plan.

(c) The competition must be conducted under rules adopted by the board.

(d) The competition must be of a type that meets the competition standards of the American Institute of Architects.

Subd. 2. **Design ownership.** When a design is selected in a competition it becomes the property of the state.

Subd. 3. **Premiums; costs.** The board may award premiums in a competition and may pay the costs and fees required to conduct it.

Subd. 4. **Competition waiver.** (a) Notwithstanding subdivision 1, paragraph (a), the board, without a competition, may approve plans for a project estimated to cost less than $1,000,000.

(b) The plans still must have been considered by the advisory committee established under section 15B.11.

(c) Notwithstanding paragraph (b), the advisory committee need not consider projects that are in conformity with the comprehensive plan and that are:

(1) to construct a street; or

(2) estimated to cost less than $400,000.

History: *Ex1967 c 13 s 13; 1969 c 1150 s 2; 1980 c 614 s 48; 1993 c 144 s 1; 1993 c 369 s 37; 2003 c 17 s 1, subds 18-21;2*