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Cooperative Purchasing Agreements

SL 2015-241 (HB 97) SECTION 8.14: By October 15, 2015, and annually thereafter, DPI and the Friday Institute shall report on the establishment of the cooperative purchasing agreements, savings resulting from the establishment of the agreements, and any issues impacting the establishment of the agreements. The reports shall be made to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Information Technology, the Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee, and the Fiscal Research Division.

Cooperative Purchasing Agreements (awarded):

- ✓ Chromebook Tablets/Laptops and Chromebook Services- establishes a multi-vendor agreement from which Chrome OS equipment and services may be selected
 - 10 Vendors submitted bids
 - Recommendation for Award being finalized
- ✓ School / Activity Buses – establishes vendors for the purchase of school and activity buses
 - 5 Vendors submitted bids
 - Recommendation for Award being finalized
- ✓ Learning Management Service (LMS) – establishes a vendor managed SaaS solution that shall provide a platform for the delivery of courses to K-12 NC students
 - Awarded to Vendor “Instructure” in March 2015
- ✓ Applicant Tracking System – establishes a unified and comprehensive State School System Employment/Applicant Tracking System
 - Awarded to Vendor “Teachermatch” in April 2015
- ✓ WiFi Expansion Infrastructure – establishes vendor(s) to provide high density WiFi infrastructure on a 5 (3+1+1) year contract
 - Awarded to 12 vendors in March 2015. The 12 vendors are:
 - A3 Communications
 - Alphanumeric Systems
 - ANC Group
 - Carolinas IT
 - Century Link Communications
 - CNIC Inc

- Converge Networks
- ENA Services
- Encore Technology Group
- IMMEXGROUP Inc
- Korcett Holdings
- TV Band Service

Cooperative Purchasing Agreements (in process):

- ✓ Device Management Managed Service – establishes an agreement for End Users to procure Device Management and related services from a qualified vendor
 - The evaluation team has completed its initial review of the 11 submitted proposals
 - The evaluation team is recommending cancellation of this RFP and reposting with revised specifications that include the latest technology changes
- ✓ Mobile Device Plan – establishes an agreement from which LEAs can purchase mobile devices
 - Currently in the preliminary stages with DPI and Friday Institute devising the requirements and specifications for the RFP