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(a) Each bidder or offeror for a construction contract shall give a bid bond if the bid or offer exceeds [\$25,000] \$50,000. Bid bonds may be required for any other procurement over [\$25,000] \$50,000, as determined by the procurement officer. The bid bond shall be provided by a surety company authorized to do business in this State, or the equivalent in cash, or in a form satisfactory to the procurement officer.

(b) The bid bond shall be in an amount equal to at least 5 percent of the amount of the bid or price proposal except that, for bids stating a rate but not a total cost, the bid bond shall be in an amount as determined by the procurement officer.

(c) If the invitation for bids or request for proposals require that a bid bond be provided, a bidder or offeror that does not comply shall be rejected.

(d) Once opened, bids or price proposals are irrevocable for the period specified in the invitation for bids or the request for proposal except as provided in § 3-202(h) of this article. However, if a bidder or offeror is permitted to withdraw his bid or proposal before award because of a mistake in the bid or proposal, no action shall be taken against his bid bond.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1984.

Approved May 15, 1984.

CHAPTER 480

(House Bill 1372)

AN ACT concerning

Mentally Ill Individuals - Refusal of Medication

FOR the purpose of providing that certain mentally ill individuals may elect to refuse medication used for the treatment of a mental disorder under certain circumstances; providing that a certain clinical review panel may approve the use of medication in certain situations and in a certain manner; establishing the criteria that the clinical review panel shall use to approve use of medication in certain instances; establishing certain criteria for the clinical review panel to follow for implementing a treatment plan for certain individuals under review and for the approval and