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Committee Members

Following up with you on last night's discussion on the procurement of the fire engine.

State statute ([G.L., Ch. 30B, Sec. 22](#)) allows Massachusetts municipalities the ability to participate in cooperative purchasing agreements.

As I indicated last night, the Inspector General's Office suggests that municipalities document that the cooperative purchasing agreement is not merely an approved vendor list. In other words, the IGO advises municipalities that they should document that the cooperative purchasing agreement was procured using full and open competition and that an appropriate comparative evaluation process was used to select specific vendors.

The [Houston-Galveston Area Council](#) is a non-profit entity which offers local governments an opportunity to participate in a cooperative purchasing agreement.

The [Metropolitan Area Planning Council](#) is another non-profit entity which offers a similar opportunity for local governments.

Thanks

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