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This legislation authorizes the Metropolitan Council to use a “best value” method for procurement of transit vehicles. The method must take price into account but can also consider other criteria for awarding a purchasing contract, such as quality and vendor performance. The solicitation for the procurement contract using best value selection must identify the factors used and their relative importance. The act went into effect April 27, 2010, but applies retroactively to transit vehicle procurement activities since September 1, 2009, meeting certain requirements.