AN ACT

CONCERNING NOTICE REQUIREMENTS FOR COUNTY HIGHWAY CONTRACT BID SOLICITATIONS, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, INCREASING THE THRESHOLD VALUE OF A CONTRACT FOR WHICH A COUNTY MUST ADVERTISE IN A NEWSPAPER IN THE COUNTY OR POST NOTICE IN THE COUNTY COURTHOUSE FROM FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS TO THE AMOUNT AT WHICH A CONTRACT REQUIRES A CONTRACTOR’S BOND.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, amend 43-2-209 as follows:

43-2-209. Contract for work on highways - advertise for bids. In the event any board of county commissioners desires to let out any work on the county highways by contract, it may advertise in a legal newspaper in the county or post a notice in the county courthouse, for a period of not less than ten days before the contract is let, for sealed proposals for performing the work. When a contract for work on highways involves expenditure of five thousand dollars or more, the board of county commissioners shall advertise in a newspaper as provided in this section unless such advertisement, in the judgment of the board would be detrimental to the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety. Such advertisement shall describe the work to be done and its location and shall refer all persons to the person holding the plans and specifications therefor, and such contract shall be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder, the board reserving the right to reject any bids proffered. The cost of any county highway work mentioned in sections 43-2-208 to 43-2-210 may be paid out of the county road and bridge fund or emergency road fund, as the board may determine.
SECTION 2. Safety clause. The general assembly hereby finds, determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.

Approved: March 14, 2014