

**Appendix:**

**The Interlocal Purchasing System (TIPS)** is a national cooperative purchasing program for use by member schools, colleges, universities, cities, counties and other governmental entities in all 50 states as authorized by each entity's jurisdictional legal requirements.

South Dakota State Statute showing TIPS is in compliance with competitive bidding requirements:

- SDCL 5-18A-22.3 states "any purchase of supplies or services, other than professional services, by purchasing agencies from any active contract that has been awarded by any governmental entity by competitive sealed bids or competitive sealed proposal or from any contract that was competitively solicited and awarded within the previous twelve months."

TIPS: <https://www.tips-usa.com/>

SD Authority: [https://www.tips-usa.com/assets/documents/docs/South\\_Dakota\\_Authority.pdf](https://www.tips-usa.com/assets/documents/docs/South_Dakota_Authority.pdf)