

Procurement bill goes to the Senate

PM Petr Nečas told Právo that the public-procurement bill approved by Parliament is a very positive step in the fight against corruption. Not everyone is happy with it though, and Karel Janeček's Endowment Fund against Corruption hopes to amend it in the Senate with the help of ČSSD. Janeček called on Fri. for the [resignation](#) of Development Min. Kamil Jankovský for serving as a "tool of the corrupters" in drafting the "leaky law." There are signs that Miroslav Kalousek's TOP 09 will join with ČSSD in the Senate to return the bill to the lower house, with the objective of adding Janeček's provision that bidders for public contracts disclose their beneficial owners and the beneficial owners of all subcontractors with at least Kč 250,000 of the contract in question. This could lead to a dispute of epic proportions within the coalition, with the very realistic possibility that the law becomes impassable. Killing the public-procurement law by hook or by crook might not be Janeček's goal, but there is every reason to believe that it is indeed Kalousek's.



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