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Bibliogov, United States, 2013. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 246 x 189 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****.Bid protests, especially bid protests filed with the Government Accountability Office (GAO), have recently received increased congressional scrutiny due to protests of high-profile awards and reports that the number of protests is increasing. The potential delay of contract award or performance triggered by a GAO protest, coupled with the increasing number of GAO protests, has also prompted concerns about the impact of protests upon agency operations, especially in the Department of Defense. Additionally, the 111th Congress is considering legislation (S. 3454) that would grant GAO permanent authority to hear protests regarding the issuance of certain task and delivery orders valued in excess of \$10 million. GAO, the contracting agencies, and the Court of Federal Claims all have authority to hear bid protests; however, GAO hears more protests annually than the Court of Federal Claims, the only other forum for which data are readily available. GAO s bid-protest process includes some unique features-- most notably, the stay of contract award or performance commonly triggered by a GAO protest-- that make GAO a desirable forum for disappointed bidders and offerors. Legislation and...

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