

SENATE SUMMARY OF HOUSE AMENDMENTS

SB 167

2025 Regular Session

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KEYWORD AND SUMMARY AS RETURNED TO THE SENATE

PUBLIC CONTRACTS. Provides for work performed by certain public entities to restore or rehabilitate certain levees. (8/1/25)

SUMMARY OF HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO THE SENATE BILL

1. Adds requirement of reporting to Joint Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works of self-performed projects.

DIGEST OF THE SENATE BILL AS RETURNED TO THE SENATE

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Present law provides that the contract limit for any contract by a public entity to restore or rehabilitate a levee which is not maintained with federal funds or to perform mitigation on public lands owned by the state or a political subdivision shall be equal to the sum of \$1,000,000, including labor, materials, and equipment, which is not publicly bid, as per the rates in the latest edition of the Associated Equipment Distributors Rental Rate Book.

Present law further provides administrative overhead cannot exceed fifteen percent; provided that the work is undertaken by the public entity with its own resources and employees, or with the resources and employees of another public entity through a cooperative endeavor or other agreement with another entity.

Proposed law retains present law and increases the annual limit not to exceed \$1,500,000.

Proposed law requires a public entity to annually report to the Joint Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works an accounting of all projects self-performed. Provides that the report shall include, at a minimum, the following information for each project:

- (1) A detailed description of the complete scope of work.
- (2) The time period required to perform the project.
- (3) An itemized breakdown of costs, including but not limited to labor, materials, and equipment costs, identifying whether the equipment was owned or rented.
- (4) The rationale for self-performing the project rather than utilizing the public bid process.

Proposed law changes the sunset date on the provisions of the contract amount limits for levee rehabilitation under certain requirements from December 31, 2028 to June 30, 2036.

Effective August 1, 2025.

(Amends R.S. 38:2212(C)(3))