

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

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Establishes the Best Practices in Public Contracts Task Force to study best practices from other states to determine a fair method to evaluate bids on public works contracts based on best value instead of lowest cost, and determine best means to leverage public/private partnerships to deliver public works projects.

Task force shall be comprised of the following members:

- (1) A representative employed by the Department of Transportation and Development, who is an engineer with knowledge and experience in the department's contract process, to be appointed by the secretary of the department.
- (2) A representative employed by the division of administration, office of facility planning and control, who is an engineer with knowledge and experience in the division's contract process, to be appointed by the director of the office.
- (3) A representative of the Louisiana Chapter of the American Institute of Architects.
- (4) A representative of the Louisiana Chapter of the American Society of Civil Engineers.
- (5) A representative of the Louisiana Chapter of the American Council of Engineering Companies.
- (6) Two representatives of the Louisiana Chapter of the Association of General Contractors.
- (7) Two representatives of the Louisiana Chapter of the Associated Builders and Contractors.
- (8) A representative of the Louisiana School Facility Managers Association.
- (9) A representative of the Louisiana Municipal Association.
- (10) A representative of the Louisiana Police Jury Association.
- (11) A representative of the Louisiana Ports Association.
- (12) A representative of the Louisiana Airport Managers Association.
- (13) A representative of the AFL-CIO.
- (14) The chairman of the Senate Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works or his designee.

Requests the director of the office of facility planning and control and the DOTD secretary to appoint representatives to the task force not later than July 15, 2017.

Provides that the representative of the division of administration, office of facility planning and control, shall act as chairman and the DOTD representative shall act as vice chairman.

Provides that the names of the members chosen or designated by the member organizations shall be submitted to the chairman of the task force not later than August 15, 2017, and that the chairman shall thereafter call the first meeting of the task force not later than September 15, 2017.

Requires a report to the chairman of the Senate Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works, not later than February 15, 2018.

Provides that the task force shall terminate not later than June 4, 2018.

