HOUSE SUMMARY OF SENATE AMENDMENTS

House Bill No. 754 by Representative Foil

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Provides relative to certain veteran-owned small entrepreneurships

Synopsis of Senate Amendments

- 1. Adds "personal services, professional services, consulting services, or social services" to the types of state agreements included in the definition of "contract" provided for in present law.
- 2. Adds "personal services, professional services, consulting services, or social services" to the list of things that may be obtained pursuant to the definition of "procurement" provided for in present law.
- 3. Adds "personal services" and "social services" to the list of goods and services which an agency may purchase from a certified small entrepreneurship pursuant to <u>present law</u> relative to competitive source selection.
- 4. Removes the requirement that goods and services be purchased "directly" from a certified small entrepreneurship relative to competitive source selection.
- 5. Removes "under an agency's discretionary purchasing authority" from present law relative to competitive source selection when purchasing from a certified small entrepreneurship.
- 6. Changes "An allowance for at least ten percent" to "No more than ten percent" relative to evaluation points awarded for the use of small entrepreneurships as subcontractors.
- 7. Changes "An allowance for ten percent" to "Ten percent" relative to evaluation points awarded to a certified small business entrepreneurship.
- 8. Makes the awarding of evaluation points in compliance with percentages provided in <u>proposed law</u> mandatory.
- 9. Removes reference to <u>present law</u> as obsolete.
- 10. Adds "personal services" and "social services" to the list of goods and services which an agency may purchase from a certified veteran and service-connected disabled veteran owned small entrepreneurship pursuant to present law relative to competitive source selection.
- 11. Removes the requirement that goods and services be purchased "directly" from a certified veteran and service-connected disabled veteran owned small entrepreneurships relative to competitive source selection.
- 12. Removes "under an agency's discretionary purchasing authority" from present law relative to competitive source selection when purchasing from a certified veteran and service-connected disabled veteran small entrepreneurship.

- 13. Changes "An allowance for at least ten percent" to "No more than twelve percent" relative to evaluation points awarded for the use of veteran and service-connected disabled veteran-owned small entrepreneurships as subcontractors.
- 14. Changes the maximum amount of average annual gross receipts a business may have, and still qualify as veteran and service-connected disabled veteran-owned small entrepreneurships, <u>from</u> five million dollars to six million dollars per year for nonconstruction operations.
- 15. Removes the requirement that maximum amounts provided in <u>present</u> law be annually adjusted according to the Consumer Price Index.
- 16. Makes technical changes.

Digest of Bill as Finally Passed by Senate

<u>Present law</u> sets forth provisions for Louisiana Initiative for Small Entrepreneurships (The Hudson Initiative).

Present law provides definitions, including "contract" and "procurement".

<u>Proposed law</u> adds personal services, professional services, consulting services, or social services to definitions of "contract" and "procurement".

<u>Present law</u> relative to competitive source selection provides that methods of source selection which may be utilized by an agency to satisfy a state goal for contracting with small entrepreneurships includes the purchase of goods, operating services, major repairs, personnel services, professional services, consulting services, and public works directly from a certified small entrepreneurship under an agency's discretionary purchasing authority.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that methods of source selection includes the purchase of goods, operating services, major repairs, personal services, professional services, consulting services, social services and public works from a certified small entrepreneurship.

<u>Present law</u> provides that an allowance for at least 10% of the total evaluation points in a request for proposal be awarded to an offeror demonstrating a good faith effort to use small entrepreneurships as subcontractors.

<u>Proposed law provides</u> that no more than 10% of the total evaluation points in a request for proposal shall be awarded to an offeror who is a certified small business entrepreneurship.

<u>Present law</u> provides an allowance for 10% of the total evaluation points in a request for proposal be awarded to an offeror who is a certified small business entrepreneurship.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that 10% of the total evaluation points in a request for proposal (RFP) shall be awarded to an offeror who is a certified small business entrepreneurship.

<u>Present law</u> provides that the commissioner of administration shall conduct a training program that includes state procurements governed by Chapters 16 and 17 of <u>present law</u>. Proposed law deletes reference to Chapter 16 as obsolete.

<u>Present law</u> also provides relative to the Louisiana Initiative for Veteran and Service-Connected Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Entrepreneurships.

<u>Present law</u> provides definitions, including "contract" and "procurement". <u>Proposed law</u> includes within such definitions personal services, professional services, consulting services,

or social services. Also deletes reference to Chapter 16 of present law as obsolete.

<u>Present law</u> provides relative to competitive source selection and that an allowance for at least 10% of the total evaluation points in a request for proposal be awarded to an offeror demonstrating a good faith effort to use veteran and service-connected disabled veteran-owned small entrepreneurships as subcontractors.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that no more than 12% of the total evaluation points in a request for proposal shall be awarded to an offeror.

<u>Present law</u> provides that 10% of the total evaluation points in a request for proposal shall be awarded to an offeror who is a certified veteran and service-connected disabled veteran-owned small business entrepreneurship. <u>Proposed law</u> provides that 12% of the total evaluation points in a request for proposal shall be awarded to an offeror who is a certified veteran and/or service-connected disabled veteran-owned small business entrepreneurship.

<u>Present law</u> provides that secretary of Dept. of Economic Development shall certify businesses as veteran and service-connected disabled veteran-owned small entrepreneurships. Defines such entrepreneurships, including that the entity together with any of its affiliate entities has fewer than 50 full-time employees with average annual gross receipts not exceeding 10 million dollars per year for construction operations and 5 million dollars per year for nonconstruction operations, for each of the previous three tax years.

Proposed law changes 5 million to 6 million and retains remainder of present law.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 39:2002(3) and (7), 2005(2), (5) and (6), 2007(D)(1), 2171(B), 2172(3) and (7), 2173, 2175(2), (5), and (6), 2176(A)(4) and 2177(D))