## **RÉSUMÉ DIGEST**

## ACT 365 (SB 212)

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<u>Prior law</u> allowed the Dept. of Transportation and Development (DOTD) to lease specialized maintenance equipment which will not be needed on a permanent basis for the shortest period required under the circumstances, in accordance with the public bid law, when the secretary determines that it is necessary or economically feasible.

<u>Prior law</u>, in all other cases, required the DOTD to own the fixed and mobile equipment necessary to appropriately maintain and operate the facilities under its jurisdiction.

<u>Prior law</u> did not require the DOTD to accept equipment offered at the lowest price when purchasing equipment when such practice would result in the ownership or use of so many different types or brands that economic operation and maintenance of the equipment would be impracticable.

<u>New law</u> changes <u>prior law</u> to authorize DOTD to rent, in addition to leasing, fixed and mobile equipment necessary to appropriately maintain and operate its facilities when the secretary determines that it is necessary or economically feasible to use specialized maintenance equipment which will not be needed on a permanent basis.

<u>New law</u> does not require DOTD to accept equipment offered at the lowest price when renting or leasing equipment.

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(Amends R.S. 48:262(A))