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HB 410 Engrossed   2024 Regular Session   Brass

Abstract: Exempts professional services contracts for architects, engineers, or landscape architects from present law requirements regarding selection of such providers if the estimated project budget cost is $1,000,000 or less.

Present law (R.S. 38:2310 et seq.) provides requirements for agencies seeking to enter into professional services contracts for architect, engineer, or landscape architect services. Proposed law retains present law.

Present law exempts from such requirements professional services contracts in which the estimated budget is $500,000 or less. Proposed law increases this exemption threshold from $500,000 to $1,000,000.

Present law (R.S. 39:128) provides an exception to present law (R.S. 38:2310 et seq.) requirements regarding professional services contracts related to minor repairs or construction of buildings or other facilities undertaken by a state college, university, or the La. Universities Marine Consortium for Research and Education. Proposed law repeals this exception.

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

(Amends R.S. 38:2316; Repeals R.S. 39:128(B)(2))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

   The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Appropriations to the original bill:

   1.   Remove provisions in present and proposed law granting to state higher education entities exceptions to present law regarding procurement of professional services contracts.

   2.   Increase threshold for general exemption in present law for procurement of professional services contracts from $500,000 or less to $1,000,000 or less.