

2024 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 793

BY REPRESENTATIVE COATES

PUBLIC CONTRACT/BIDS: Provides relative to a contract limit for hospital service districts

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 38:2212(C)(1) and to enact R.S. 38:2212(C)(5), relative to the  
3 contract limit for hospital service districts; to provide for an increased contract limit  
4 for hospital service districts; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 38:2212(C)(1) is hereby amended and reenacted and R.S.  
7 38:2212(C)(5) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

8 §2212. Advertisement and letting to lowest responsible and responsive bidder;  
9 public work; electronic bidding; participation in mentor-protégé program;  
10 exemptions; subpoena

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12 C.(1) Except as provided in Paragraphs (2), (3), ~~and (4)~~, and (5) of this  
13 Subsection, the term "contract limit" as used in this Section shall be equal to the sum  
14 of two hundred fifty thousand dollars per project, including labor, materials, and  
15 equipment as per the rates in the latest edition of the Associated Equipment Dealers  
16 Rental Rate Book and administrative overhead not to exceed fifteen percent,  
17 provided that beginning February 1, 2025, and annually on February first of each  
18 subsequent year, the office of facility planning and control within the division of  
19 administration shall adjust the "contract limit" by an amount not to exceed the annual  
20 percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index in the preceding year. The office

1 of facility planning and control within the division of administration shall publish the  
2 new contract limit for public works contracts in the Louisiana Register in January of  
3 each year.

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5 (5) The contract limit for a hospital service district as defined in R.S.  
6 46:1072(2)(a) shall be the sum of two million dollars per project, including labor,  
7 material, and equipment as per the rates in the latest edition of the Associated  
8 Equipment Dealers Rental Rate Book and administrative overhead not to exceed  
9 fifteen percent.

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DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Provides for increased contract limits for hospital service districts.

Present law provides that the "contract limit" in present law is equal to the sum of \$250,000 per project, including labor, materials, and equipment and administrative overhead not to exceed fifteen percent with exceptions.

Proposed law adds an exception for hospital service districts contracts to be the sum of \$2,000,000 per project, including labor, materials, and equipment and administrative overhead not to exceed fifteen percent with exceptions.

(Amends R.S. 38:2212(C)(1); Adds R.S. 38:2212(C)(5))