

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

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New law authorizes municipal and parish fire departments, volunteer fire departments, fire protection districts, municipal and parish ambulance services, ambulance service districts, municipal police departments, or related public safety departments or agencies to enter into agreements with qualified group purchasing organizations for certain purchases.

New law requires the group purchasing organization to submit a price list and maintain those prices for at least three months and for those prices to be deemed a valid and binding bid.

New law provides that the price list is not a public record, but provides that the portion of the price list establishing the price will be considered public record when it is made part of a contract.

New law defines "qualified group purchasing organization".

New law allows the purchase of materials, equipment, and supplies from a qualified group purchasing organization when prices are less than those for substantially similar products on the state contract list or when similar products are not on the state contract list.

New law prohibits purchases through an entity or vendor that is not a qualified group purchasing organization without using state procurement procedures in existing law.

Effective August 1, 2024.

(Adds R.S. 38:2212.1(P))