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HB No. 14

Abstract: Authorizes the Department of Transportation and Development to utilize the design-build method to construct LA 3241 from I-12 to Bush (Bogalusa), which project is included in the TIMED program.

Present law authorizes the secretary of the Dept. of Transportation and Development, with approval of the House and Senate transportation committees, to implement a pilot program to evaluate the cost-effectiveness of combining the design and construction phases of a transportation facility, including but not limited to highways, interchanges, or bridges into a single contract.

Proposed law retains present law but removes the pilot program limitation of the design-build program.

Present law authorizes the department to utilize the design-build method to construct the new Mississippi River Bridge at St. Francisville (connection to US 61), which project is included in the Transportation Infrastructure Model for Economic Development (TIMED) program, and one additional project selected by the secretary; however, the cost of the additional project shall not exceed \$5 million.

Proposed law retains present law and authorizes the department to utilize the design-build method to construct LA 3241 from I-12 to Bush (Bogalusa), which project is included in the TIMED program.

(Amends R.S. 48:250.2(A) and (C))