
DIGEST

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Broadwater

HB No. 690

Abstract: Authorizes public school districts or public schools to participate in purchasing cooperatives to levy their combined purchasing power as a means of negotiating better pricing for procurement of necessary materials, equipment, and supplies.

Proposed law authorizes any public school district or public school to participate in a school district purchasing cooperative for the purchase of materials, equipment, and supplies.

Proposed law provides that public schools and public school districts which are members of a school district purchasing cooperative may purchase materials, equipment, and supplies in accordance with contracts submitted to the school district purchasing cooperative by a vendor.

Proposed law defines "school district purchasing cooperative" as an organization, whether for profit or not for profit, to which two or more public school districts are members and which solicits proposals or bids from vendors of services, materials, equipment, or supplies of the type and nature as may be purchased by a public school district or public school.

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