
DIGEST

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HB No. 716

Abstract: Establishes protections for certain public contractors.

Proposed law provides that a contractor shall be free from reprisal by the contracting public entity if the contractor reports in good faith and upon reasonable suspicion, information he believes indicates criminal activity on the part of the contracting public entity if the contractor is neither a participant nor co-conspirator in the suspected criminal activity and he has reported the information to either the contracting public entity or a law enforcement agency having jurisdiction over the crime.

Proposed law provides definitions for "contractor", "crime or criminal activity", "public entity", and "reprisal".

Proposed law applies to contracts of any agency, board, bureau, committee, council, court, department, district, governing authority, government corporation, institution, task force, or other instrumentality of the state or any political subdivision of the state or of its political subdivisions. Also included are certain elected or appointed officials.

(Adds R.S. 39:2211 and 2212)