Regular Session, 2014

HOUSE BILL NO. 333

BY REPRESENTATIVE MONTOUCET

PROCUREMENT: Provides preferences for extruded woven polypropylene products woven in Louisiana

1	AN ACT
2	To enact R.S. 38:2251.3 and 39:1595.8, relative to purchasing and procurement; to provide
3	a preference for extruded woven polypropylene products woven in Louisiana; and
4	to provide for related matters.
5	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
6	Section 1. R.S. 38:2251.3 is hereby enacted to read as follows:
7	<u>§2251.3.</u> Preference for extruded woven polypropylene products woven in
8	Louisiana
9	A. Every person acting as a procurement officer, purchasing agent, or similar
10	official for any public entity under the provisions of this Chapter shall purchase
11	extruded woven polypropylene products woven in this state which are equal in
12	quality to extruded woven polypropylene products woven outside the United States,
13	provided the cost of extruded woven polypropylene products woven in this state does
14	not exceed by more than ten percent the cost of extruded woven polypropylene
15	products woven outside the United States.
16	B. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Louisiana vendor of
17	extruded woven polypropylene products woven in Louisiana shall not be required

1	to sell the items at the same price as the lowest bid offered by a vendor of extruded
2	woven polypropylene products woven outside of the United States.
3	Section 2. R.S. 39:1595.8 is hereby enacted to read as follows:
4	§1595.8. Preference for extruded woven polypropylene products woven in
5	Louisiana
6	A. Every person acting as a procurement officer, purchasing agent, or similar
7	official for any using agency under the provisions of this Chapter shall purchase
8	extruded woven polypropylene products woven in this state which are equal in
9	quality to extruded woven polypropylene products woven outside the United States,
10	provided the cost of extruded woven polypropylene products woven in this state does
11	not exceed by more than ten percent the cost of extruded woven polypropylene
12	products woven outside the United States.
13	B. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Louisiana vendor of
14	extruded woven polypropylene products woven in Louisiana shall not be required
15	to sell the items at the same price as the lowest bid offered by a vendor of extruded
16	woven polypropylene products woven outside of the United States.

DIGEST

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HB No. 333

Abstract: Provides a preference for the procurement of extruded woven polypropylene products woven in La. over products woven outside of the U.S.

<u>Present law</u> provides for the purchase of material and supplies for public construction projects and for political subdivisions under the state Public Bid Law, unless the entities choose to follow the La. Procurement Code.

<u>Present law</u> further provides for procurement by executive branch agencies under the La. Procurement Code.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that the person acting as a procurement officer, purchasing agent, or similar official for any using agency or public entity under the provisions of <u>present law</u> (Public Bid Law and La. Procurement Code) shall purchase extruded woven polypropylene products woven in this state which are equal in quality to extruded woven polypropylene products woven outside the United States, provided the cost of extruded woven polypropylene polypropylene products woven in this state does not exceed by more than 10% the cost of extruded woven polypropylene products woven outside the United States.

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<u>Proposed law</u> further provides that the La. vendor of extruded woven polypropylene products woven in La. shall not be required to sell the items at the same price as the lowest bid offered by a vendor of extruded woven polypropelene products woven outside of the United States.

(Adds R.S. 38:2251.3 and R.S. 39:1595.8)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

- Committee Amendments Proposed by <u>House Committee on Appropriations</u> to the <u>original</u> bill.
- 1. Made preference apply to a preference over products woven outside of the United States instead of products woven out of state.