

Regular Session, 2014

HOUSE BILL NO. 333

BY REPRESENTATIVES MONTOUCET AND SEABAUGH

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 §2251.3. Preference for extruded woven polypropylene products woven in
8 Louisiana

9 A. When purchasing extruded woven polypropylene products, every person
10 acting as a procurement officer, purchasing agent, or similar official for any public
11 entity under the provisions of this Chapter shall purchase such products woven in
12 this state that are equal in quality to extruded woven polypropylene products woven
13 outside the United States, provided the cost of extruded woven polypropylene
14 products woven in this state does not exceed by more than ten percent the cost of
15 extruded woven polypropylene 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. When purchasing extruded woven polypropylene products, every person
 7 acting as a procurement officer, purchasing agent, or similar official for any using
 8 agency under the provisions of this Chapter shall purchase such products woven in
 9 this state that are equal in quality to extruded woven polypropylene products woven
 10 outside the United States, provided the cost of extruded woven polypropylene
 11 products woven in this state does not exceed by more than ten percent the cost of
 12 extruded woven polypropylene 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.

Present law 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.

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

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

Proposed law 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 polypropylene 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 House Committee on Appropriations to the original bill.

1. Made preference apply to a preference over products woven outside of the United States instead of products woven out of state.

House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill.

1. Clarified the applicability of proposed law.