
DIGEST

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Abstract: Exempts certain projects on land owned or managed by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries from the capital outlay process.

Present law provides for the authority and procedures for state construction projects, also known as capital outlay.

Present law provides for certain exemptions from the capital outlay process, including the following:

- (1) Facilities that house the legislature or an agency within the legislative branch.
- (2) Repairs, renovation, or construction less than or equal to \$1 million on the campus of a state college, university or higher education facility, subject to approval by the Board of Regents and the appropriate management board. Further exempts such projects that are \$500,000 or less from requirements related to professional service contracts in Public Bid Law.
- (3) Repairs, renovation, or construction by any agency, except on the campus of a state college, university or higher education facility, when the expenditures for a project for a fiscal year do not exceed \$150,000 cumulatively per agency and the expenditures are approved by the commissioner of administration and the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget.
- (4) Construction of buildings by the Department of Public Safety and Corrections, division of prison enterprises with a cost of \$500,000 or less, constructed with inmate labor and private sector labor, on the grounds of a correctional facility that will house revenue-generating inmate labor and funded with self-generated revenues. Requires prior approval of the projects by the Senate Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs and House Committee on Ways and Means.

Proposed law further exempts repairs, renovation, or construction less than or equal to \$500,000 on land owned or managed by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, subject to approval by the commissioner of administration. Further exempts such projects from requirements related to professional service contracts in Public Bid Law.

(Adds R.S. 39:128(E))