

HOUSE SUMMARY OF SENATE AMENDMENTS**HB 216****2016 Regular Session****Hensgens**

PUBLIC BLDGS/GROUNDS-ST: Limits the amount required to be spent per project under the Percent for Art Program

Synopsis of Senate Amendments

1. Prohibits the expenditure of funds on new works of art until an agency has sought the donation of works of artists in the state without charge.

Digest of Bill as Finally Passed by Senate

Present law, the Percent for Art Program, requires state agencies to dedicate 1% of state funds for construction or renovation project costs to acquire, conserve, or restore and install works of art. Applies only to projects with state funding costs of \$2 million or more.

Proposed law caps the amount of state funds per project dedicated to works of art to the lesser of \$450,000 or 1% of the state money to be expended on the construction or renovation project. Proposed law applies to all projects begun on or after August 1, 2016, and contracts entered into after October 1, 2016, for existing projects if the contract would increase the total expenditure for art for the project to exceed \$450,000.

Proposed law prohibits the expenditure of funds for the acquisition of new works of art until after an agency has sought the donation of works from artists within the state and has been unable to obtain such works of art without charge.

(Amends R.S. 25:900.1(C))