
 DIGEST

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SB 407 Reengrossed

2016 Regular Session

Milkovich

Present law provides for reporting requirements for the state chief procurement officer, including annual reports.

Proposed law retains present law and provides that information on all contracts and the information contained in the annual report shall be published on the division of administration's website for access and ease of use.

Proposed law creates the Contract Services Joint Legislative Task Force (task force) which is authorized to study, review, and make assessments on contracts.

Proposed law provides that the task force shall be composed of four members of the Senate, appointed by the Senate president, and four members of the House of Representatives, appointed by the House speaker.

Proposed law provides the task force shall meet no more than five days per fiscal year and may review all contracts for supplies, materials, services, major repairs, personal, professional, consulting, and social services contracts, among others, with an annual amount of \$50,000 or more. The task force may review the processes by which these contracts are negotiated, drafted, procured, and executed. Additionally, the task force may study any other contracts determined to be relevant to the mission of the task force.

Proposed law further states the Senate president shall appoint a senator to chair the first meeting until officers can be elected from among the task force membership at the first meeting, which shall take place no later than 30 days after the effective date of the Act, and that a quorum of task force members shall be needed to conduct business.

Proposed law further states the task force shall report annually to the Senate president, the House speaker, and the governor no later than 60 days before the regular session regarding any recommendations relative to any specific contracts or contract procedures that may require administrative action or may require legislative action.

Proposed law relative to the task force shall become null, void, and of no effect on June 30, 2020.

Effective July 1, 2016.

(Adds R.S. 39:1567(B)(3) and (F))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Finance to the original bill

1. Adds a requirement for publication of information on all contracts on the Internet.
2. Changes mission of the task force from requiring review of contracts to authorizing review.
3. Adds provision that the task force may review the processes by which contracts are negotiated, drafted, procured, and executed. Additionally, the task force may study any other contracts determined to be relevant to the mission of the task force.

4. Limits the task force to meeting five calendar days in any fiscal year.

Senate Floor Amendments to engrossed bill

1. Makes legislative bureau changes.

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Appropriations to the reengrossed bill:

1. Make technical changes.
2. Make provisions regarding the Contract Services Joint Legislative Task Force null, void, and of no effect on June 30, 2020.