
DIGEST

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CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT DIGEST

HB 216

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Keyword and oneliner of the instrument as it left the House

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

Report rejects Senate amendments which would have:

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

Report amends the bill to:

1. When selecting works of art for an institution of postsecondary education, grant preference to works of art created by students and faculty in art programs offered by the institution or institutions under the same postsecondary management board.

Digest of the bill as proposed by the Conference Committee

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.

Present law requires that preference shall be given to works of art of Louisiana artists.

Proposed law retains present law and further requires that for institutions of postsecondary education, preference shall be given to works of art created by students and faculty in art programs offered by

that institution or institutions under the same postsecondary management board.

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