

**HOUSE SUMMARY OF SENATE AMENDMENTS**

**HB 379**

**2017 Regular Session**

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HIGHWAYS: Authorizes the Regional Transit Authority to solicit and enter into public-private partnership contracts

**Synopsis of Senate Amendments**

1. Makes technical changes.

**Digest of Bill as Finally Passed by Senate**

Proposed law authorizes the Regional Transit Authority (RTA) to solicit proposals for and enter into contracts for public-private partnership projects for a transportation facility, as defined in present law (R.S. 48:2073), provided the authority complies with present law applicable to public-private partnership projects of the La. Transportation Authority when the commissioners of the RTA determine a public-private partnership is in the best interest of taxpayers and receives approval from the House and Senate transportation, highways, and public works committees.

Proposed law requires present law provisions that require a payment bond and the process to file claims against a contractor are applicable in the same manner as any other Dept. of Transportation and Development project.

Proposed law prohibits the RTA from receiving an unsolicited proposal for a public-private partnership project.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Adds R.S. 48:1660.1)