

## HOUSE SUMMARY OF SENATE AMENDMENTS

HB 146

2018 Regular Session

Davis

CAPITAL OUTLAY: Defines "economic development project" for purposes of a late approval recommendation from the secretary of the Dept. of Economic Development

**Synopsis of Senate Amendments**

1. Restore present law criteria for an economic development project that generates new or retains existing employment opportunities.

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

**Abstract:** Defines an "economic development project" for purposes of a late capital outlay application seeking a recommendation for inclusion in the capital outlay act from the secretary of the Dept. of Economic Development.

Present law requires the governor to submit his capital outlay budget which implements the first year of the five-year capital outlay program no later than the 8<sup>th</sup> day of each regular session.

Present law authorizes inclusion of capital outlay budget requests submitted after Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> in the capital outlay act only if the request meets all of the applicable requirements of present law, except for time of submission, and if the project is an economic development project recommended by the secretary of the Dept. of Economic Development (DED), the project is an emergency project recommended in writing by the commissioner of administration, the project is for a nonstate entity which meets certain present law requirements, or the project is located in a designated disaster area and it meets certain present law requirements.

Proposed law retains present law.

Present law defines the term "economic development" as follows:

- (1) Improvements on public or government-owned property for attracting or retaining a new or existing manufacturing or business operation that benefits La.
- (2) Facilities or improvements on public or government-owned property that generate new, permanent employment or which help retain existing employment.
- (3) Facilities or infrastructure improvements on public or government-owned property necessary for a manufacturing plant or business to operate.

Proposed law changes present law by specifying that provisions of present law refer to an "economic development *project*". Further, proposed law adds a requirement that the project be for purposes of business recruitment or retention and be sponsored by DED or a political subdivision or other public entity which has economic development as its mission.

Applicable to the funding of all nonstate entity projects included in the capital outlay budget for fiscal years commencing on and after July 1, 2018.

Effective July 1, 2018.

(Amends R.S. 39:112(C)(2)(b))