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The Honorable Phillip DeVillier
Speaker of the House
900 N. 3rd St.
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The Honorable Michelle Fontenot
Clerk of the House
State Capitol
900 N. 3rd St.
Baton Rouge, LA 70802

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RE: House Bill Number 646 of the 2024 Regular Session by Representative Francis Thompson

Dear Speaker DeVillier and Clerk Fontenot:

Please be advised that I made the decision to veto House Bill 646 of the 2024 Regular Session. It appears this bill was intended to increase the "contracts limit" for public works projects undertaken by the Department of Culture, Recreation, and Tourism to one million dollars per contract. However, amendments added to the bill seem to contradict that and, instead, further restrict the contract limit for the Department. This bill requires that projects in excess of fifty thousand dollars be publicly bid, which is significantly more restrictive than contracts limits for other Departments.

For these reasons, I have vetoed House Bill 646 and returned it to the Legislature.

Sincerely,

Jeff Landry
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Enclosure: Returned House Bill 646