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SB 315 Reengrossed

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Present law (R.S. 38:2310 et seq.) provides requirements for agencies seeking to enter into professional services contracts for architect, engineer, or landscape architect services.

Present law exempts from such requirements professional services contracts in which the estimated budget is \$1,000,000 or less. Proposed law increases this exemption threshold from \$1,000,000 to \$2,000,000.

Proposed law requires any agency that enters into more than one professional services contract in any given fiscal year to ensure that not less than 50% of the total number of such contracts are awarded to separate, distinct, and unaffiliated professional services firms if such contracts are exempt pursuant to present law.

Effective July 1, 2026.

(Amends R.S. 38:2316)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Senate Floor Amendments to engrossed bill

1. Add provision requiring agencies to ensure that not less than 50% of contracts are awarded to separate, distinct, and unaffiliated professional services firms in certain circumstances.
2. Change the effective date from upon signature of the governor to July 1, 2026.