

**LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE**  
**Fiscal Note**



Fiscal Note On: **SB 315** SLS 26RS 479

Bill Text Version: **REENGROSSED**

Opp. Chamb. Action:

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.:

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| <b>Subject:</b> Minimum cost for exemptions for professional services contracts |         |                             |

PUBLIC CONTRACTS

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Increases budget cost minimums for professional services contract exemptions. (gov sig)

Proposed legislation increases the professional services contract exemption threshold from \$1,000,000 to \$2,000,000 for certain public works projects involving architects, engineers, and landscape architects, and requires that agencies awarding more than one exempt contract in a fiscal year ensure that not less than fifty percent of such contracts are awarded to separate, distinct, and unaffiliated professional services firms.

| EXPENDITURES        | 2026-27    | 2027-28    | 2028-29    | 2029-30    | 2030-31    | 5 -YEAR TOTAL |
|---------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|---------------|
| State Gen. Fd.      | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | <b>\$0</b>    |
| Agy. Self-Gen.      | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | <b>\$0</b>    |
| Ded./Other          | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | <b>\$0</b>    |
| Federal Funds       | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | <b>\$0</b>    |
| Local Funds         | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | <b>\$0</b>    |
| <b>Annual Total</b> | <b>\$0</b> | <b>\$0</b> | <b>\$0</b> | <b>\$0</b> | <b>\$0</b> | <b>\$0</b>    |

  

| REVENUES            | 2026-27    | 2027-28    | 2028-29    | 2029-30    | 2030-31    | 5 -YEAR TOTAL |
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| Local Funds         | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | <b>\$0</b>    |
| <b>Annual Total</b> | <b>\$0</b> | <b>\$0</b> | <b>\$0</b> | <b>\$0</b> | <b>\$0</b> | <b>\$0</b>    |

**EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION**

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental expenditures as a result of this measure. Proposed legislation retains the increased exemption threshold for professional services contracts of \$2,000,000 or less and further requires that, for agencies entering into more than one exempt contract in a fiscal year, not less than fifty percent of such contracts be awarded to separate, distinct, and unaffiliated professional services firms. These provisions may result in minor administrative workload associated with tracking contractor affiliations and ensuring compliance; however, such duties are anticipated to be absorbed within existing resources and are not expected to result in a quantifiable change in state expenditures.

**REVENUE EXPLANATION**

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental revenues as a result of this measure.

Senate

Dual Referral Rules

House

13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S & H}

6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}

13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S & H}

6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}

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