

2026 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 860

BY REPRESENTATIVE BRAUD

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 38:2212(B)(2), relative to electronic bidding; to authorize the use  
3 of fillable electronic bid forms for electronic bidding; to provide relative to  
4 advertisement of bids; to provide for formatting of certain bid forms; to provide for  
5 an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 38:2212(B)(2) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

8 §2212. Advertisement and letting to lowest responsible and responsive bidder;  
9 public work; electronic bidding; participation in mentor-protégé program;  
10 exemptions; subpoena

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12 B.

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14 (2) ~~Any~~ Except as otherwise provided in this Section, any public entity  
15 advertising for public work shall use only the Louisiana Uniform Bid Form as  
16 promulgated in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act by the division  
17 of administration, office of facility planning and control. A public entity may use  
18 a fillable electronic bid form to facilitate the receipt of bids through an electronic  
19 bidding platform if the fillable electronic bid form includes all of the text and input  
20 fields contained in the Louisiana Uniform Bid Form. A public entity shall not add  
21 any bidder requirements or bidder input fields to a fillable electronic bid form that  
22 are not contained in the Louisiana Uniform Bid Form. Deviations in the formatting  
23 of a fillable electronic bid form used by a public entity from the formatting of the  
24 Louisiana Uniform Bid Form shall not constitute a violation of this Section. The

1 bidding documents shall require only the following information and documentation  
 2 to be submitted by a bidder at the time designated in the advertisement for bid  
 3 opening: Bid Security or Bid Bond; Acknowledgment of Addenda; Base Bid;  
 4 Alternates; Signature of Bidder; Name, Title, and Address of Bidder; Name of Firm  
 5 or Joint Venture; Corporate Resolution or written evidence of the authority of the  
 6 person signing the bid; and Louisiana Contractors License Number, and on public  
 7 works projects where unit prices are utilized, a section on the bid form where the unit  
 8 price utilized in the bid shall be set forth including a description for each unit;  
 9 however, unit prices shall not be utilized for the construction of building projects,  
 10 unless the unit prices and their extensions are incorporated into the base bid or  
 11 alternates. If a public entity adds any additional requirements for information, unless  
 12 mandated by state or federal requirements, the requirements shall be void and not  
 13 considered in the award of the contract. Any timely change by a bidder to the bid  
 14 prior to submission of the bid shall be scratched through and initialed by the bidder  
 15 or the person who submits the bid. The change as initialed shall be binding.

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17 Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not  
 18 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature  
 19 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If  
 20 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become  
 21 effective on the day following such approval.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_