

**HOUSE SUMMARY OF SENATE AMENDMENTS**

House Bill No. 365 by Representative Howard

PUBLIC CONTRACT/BIDS: Revises public bid provisions

Synopsis of Senate Amendments	
1.	Unit prices shall not be utilized for the construction of a building project, unless the unit price is incorporated into the base bid.
2.	The Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans, and all agencies of the City of New Orleans, including, but not limited to the Regional Transit Authority and the New Orleans Aviation Board, shall require that the documentation and information required for submitting a public bid shall be furnished by the two lowest bidders within three days of the bid opening.

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

Present law requires the public bid form for public works projects to be developed by the division of administration, office of facility planning and control, to require a "bid total".

Proposed law changes present law to a requirement for a "base bid".

Proposed law prohibits unit prices from being used for the construction of a building project, unless the unit price is incorporated into the "base bid".

Present law requires that other documentation and information required for submitting a public bid shall be furnished by all bidders at a later date and time, in accordance with the bidding documents.

Proposed law deletes current law and requires that other documentation and information required for submitting a public bid shall be furnished by the lowest bidder within 10 days after the bid opening. This requirement cannot be altered or waived by any public entity.

Proposed law provides that the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans, and all agencies of the City of New Orleans, including, but not limited to the Regional Transit Authority and the New Orleans Aviation Board, shall require that the documentation and information required for submitting a public bid shall be furnished by the two lowest bidders within three days of the bid opening.

(Amends R.S. 38:2212(A)(1)(b)(ii)(aa) and (bb) and (3)(c)(ii))