

Regular Session, 2013

HOUSE BILL NO. 181

BY REPRESENTATIVE LEBAS

PUBLIC CONTRACT/BIDS: Allows public entities in Evangeline Parish to let a contract to other than the lowest bidder in certain circumstances

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 38:2214.1, relative to public contracts; to authorize public entities in  
3 Evangeline Parish to let a contract to other than the lowest bidder under certain  
4 circumstances; and to provide for related matters.

5 Notice of intention to introduce this Act has been published  
6 as provided by Article III, Section 13 of the Constitution of  
7 Louisiana.

8 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

9 Section 1. R.S. 38:2214.1 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

10 §2214.1. Right to modify bids

11 A. A public entity letting public contracts in Evangeline Parish, including but  
12 not limited to contracts for waste management services, may accept the bid and  
13 contract with a local resident contractor, if the bid is not the lowest bid received,  
14 provided that all of the following conditions are met:

15 (1) The lowest bid is not offered by a local resident contractor.

16 (2) The bid offered by the local resident contractor does not exceed the  
17 lowest bid received by more than five percent.

18 (3) The local resident contractor agrees to provide services or fulfill the  
19 contract at the same price as the lowest bid received.

1                    B. For purposes of this Section "local resident contractor" shall mean a  
 2                    contractor whose business headquarters is domiciled and located in Evangeline  
 3                    Parish.

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DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Authorizes public entities in Evangeline Parish to accept the bid of a local resident contractor, if the bid is not the lowest bid offered in certain situations.

Proposed law authorizes a public entity of Evangeline Parish to accept the bid of the local resident contractor of Evangeline Parish, if the bid is not the lowest bid offered, provided that all of the following conditions are met:

- (1) The lowest bid is not offered by a local resident contractor.
- (2) The bid offered by the local resident contractor of Evangeline Parish does not exceed the lowest bid by more than 5%.
- (3) The local resident contractor of Evangeline Parish agrees to provide the services or fulfill the contract at the same price as the lowest bid made.

Proposed law defines "local resident contractor" as a contractor whose business headquarters are domiciled and located in Evangeline Parish.

(Adds R.S. 38:2214.1)