DIGEST

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Brossett HB No. 559

Abstract: Extends the length of time <u>from</u> six years <u>to</u> eight years for the utilization of the design-build method for projects of certain parishes or entities.

<u>Present law</u>, relative to the Public Bid Law, authorizes the following public entities to utilize the design-build method in the construction or repair of any public building or structure which was destroyed or damaged by Hurricane Katrina, Hurricane Rita, or both; the division of administration; the Recovery School District; the Orleans Parish School Board; the city of New Orleans; the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans; and parish governments in Calcasieu, Cameron, Jefferson, Orleans, Plaquemines, St. Bernard, St. Tammany, and Vermilion parishes; and the Port of New Orleans.

<u>Present law</u> provides that the authority granted in <u>present law</u> extends for six years from July 10, 2007, after which time only those projects that were contracted for prior to such termination date may proceed.

<u>Proposed law</u> extends the length of time <u>from</u> six years <u>to</u> eight years, or until July 10, 2015, for the utilization of the design-build method for projects of certain parishes or entities under <u>present</u> law.

(Amends R.S. 38:2225.2.1(A)(3))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

Committee Amendments Proposed by <u>House Committee on Transportation</u>, <u>Highways and Public Works</u> to the <u>original</u> bill.

1. Extended the length of time <u>from</u> seven years, as proposed in original bill, <u>to</u> eight years, or until July 10, 2015, for the utilization of the design-build method for projects of certain parishes or entities under <u>present law</u>.