

SENATE SUMMARY OF HOUSE AMENDMENTS

**SB 161 By Senator Chabert**

**KEYWORD AND SUMMARY AS RETURNED TO THE SENATE**

PUBLIC CONTRACTS. Provides \$1,000,000 annual limit on work performed by a public entity with its own employees and resources to restore or rehabilitate certain levees and extends the termination date. (1/1/14)

**SUMMARY OF HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO THE SENATE BILL**

1. Provides the rates contained in the latest edition of the Associated Equipment Distributors Rental Rate Book.

**DIGEST OF THE SENATE BILL AS RETURNED TO THE SENATE**

Present law provides that the contract limit for any contract by a public entity to restore or rehabilitate a levee which is not maintained with federal funds or to perform mitigation on public lands owned by the state or a political subdivision shall be equal to the sum of \$1,000,000, provided that the project is undertaken by the public entity with its own resources and employees or with the resources and employees of another public entity through a cooperative endeavor or other agreement with such entity.

Proposed law changes present law to provide an annual limit not to exceed \$1,000,000 applies to any work undertaken by a public entity with its own resources and employees, or with the resources and employees of another public entity through a cooperative endeavor agreement, to restore or rehabilitate a levee not maintained with federal funds, including mitigation on public lands owned by the state or a political subdivision; further provides that annual limit includes labor, materials, and equipment, which is not publicly bid, as per the rates in the latest edition of the Associated Equipment Distributors Rental Rate Book and administrative overhead not to exceed 15%.

Present law terminates on December 31, 2014.

Proposed law extends termination date to December 31, 2018.

Effective January 1, 2014.

(Amends R.S. 38:2212(A)(1)(d)(v))

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