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Abstract: Provides an exception to the prohibition of closed specification of products to be used in the construction of public buildings or projects for products required as part of an integrated coastal protection project for the evaluation of new and improved integrated coastal protection technologies.

Present law prohibits an architect or engineer from submitting a closed specification of a product to be used in the construction of public buildings or projects unless all products other than the one specified would detract from the utility of the building or projects, or in cases where a particular material is required for historical integrity of the building or the uniform appearance of an existing structure.

Proposed law retains present law and further authorizes an exception for products required as part of an integrated coastal protection project for the evaluation of new and improved integrated coastal protection technologies.

Present law prohibits closed specification of a product when a person or group of persons have the right to exclusive distribution of the product except when the product is required to expand or extend an existing system operating on the public facility or site.

Proposed law retains present law but authorizes an exception for products required as part of an integrated coastal protection project for the evaluation of new and improved integrated coastal protection technologies.

(Amends R.S. 38:2290)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works to the original bill:

1. Add an exception for closed specifications in proposed law that are required to be part of an integrated coastal protection project which is for the evaluation of new and improved integrated coastal protection technologies.