

SENATE BILL NO. 67

BY SENATOR FANNIN

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

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AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 39:72.1(A) and to enact R.S. 38:2211.1, relative to certain appropriations; to provide that recipients of appropriations be in compliance with audit requirements in order to let contracts; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 38:2211.1 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§2211.1. Restrictions on public entities that fail to comply with audit requirements

A. No public entity that, pursuant to R.S. 39:72.1, has been deemed to have failed or refused to comply with the provisions of R.S. 24:513 shall let any public contract under this Part that utilizes any state funds, whether received through direct appropriation or through transfer from another public entity, or whose funding relies upon the full faith and credit of the state. For the purposes of this Section, the term "state funds" shall also include any federal funds, including grants, that pass through the state.

B. Any public entity that has been subject to the restrictions in Subsection A of this Section, upon coming into compliance with the provisions of R.S. 24:513, shall immediately inform the Legislative Audit Advisory Council in writing of their compliance and upon confirmation of compliance by the Legislative Audit Advisory Council shall be immediately released from the restrictions that were imposed.

Section 2. R.S. 39:72.1(A) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§72.1. Compliance with audit requirements

A.**(1)** Notwithstanding any contrary provision of law, no funds appropriated in the general appropriations act, the capital outlay act, or other appropriation act,

1 shall be released or provided to any recipient of an appropriation if, when, and for
2 as long as, the recipient fails or refuses to comply with the provisions of R.S. 24:513.

3 (2) No public entity that has failed or refused to comply with the
4 provisions of R.S. 24:513 shall let any public contract that utilizes any state
5 funds, whether received through direct appropriation or through transfer from
6 another public entity, or whose funding relies upon the full faith and credit of
7 the state. For the purposes of this Paragraph, the terms "public entity" and
8 "public contract" shall be defined as in R.S. 38:2211(A), and the term "state
9 funds" shall also include any federal funds, including grants, that pass through
10 the state.

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12 Section 3. This Act shall become effective on August 1, 2017.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____