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SB 474 Engrossed

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Present law authorizes minor repairs, renovations, or construction of buildings or other facilities may be undertaken by an agency without being included in the capital outlay budget, provided that the expenditures for a fiscal year for these undertakings do not exceed \$150,000 cumulatively per agency and the expenditures are first approved by the commissioner of administration and the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget. Provides that the term "cost" shall not be construed to include design fees or movable equipment.

Proposed law retains present law but increases the authorization to allow state agencies to purchase land, buildings, or other facilities outside of the capital outlay process. Proposed law also increases the exemption threshold from \$150,000 to \$500,000, adjusted annually in accordance with the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistic's consumer price index for all urban consumers as published in January of each year. Proposed law provides that the construction to be undertaken by a state agency shall be on property owned by the state, provided the undertakings do not exceed \$500,000.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 39:128(C))

#### Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

##### Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs to the original bill

1. Changes the exemption threshold from \$1,000,000 to \$500,000 for minor repairs, renovations, or construction of buildings or other facilities by a state agency on state property.
2. Changes the threshold on allowed undertakings for purposes of benefitting from proposed law from \$1,000,000 to \$500,000.
3. Deletes provisions related to professional service contracts where the estimated construction cost exceeded \$1,000,000.