

Regular Session, 2009

HOUSE BILL NO. 353

BY REPRESENTATIVE MONICA

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

**PUBLIC CONTRACTS:** Increases the contract limit for public works projects undertaken by the public entity's own employees

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 38:2212(A)(1)(d)(introductory paragraph), relative to public  
3 contracts; to increase the contract limit for public works projects undertaken by the  
4 public entity's own employees; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 38:2212(A)(1)(d)(introductory paragraph) is hereby amended and  
7 reenacted to read as follows:

8 §2212. Advertisement and letting to lowest responsible bidder; public work;  
9 electronic bidding; participation in mentor-protégé program

10 A.(1)(a) All public work exceeding the contract limit as defined in this  
11 Section, including labor and materials, to be done by a public entity shall be  
12 advertised and let by contract to the lowest responsible bidder who had bid according  
13 to the contract, plans, and specifications as advertised, and no such public work shall  
14 be done except as provided in this Part.

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16 (d) The term "contract limit" as used herein shall be equal to the sum of ~~one~~  
17 ~~hundred thousand dollars~~ two hundred fifty thousand dollars per project, including  
18 labor, materials, and equipment as per the rates in the latest edition of the Associated  
19 Equipment Dealers Rental Rate Book and administrative overhead not to exceed  
20 fifteen percent; however:

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DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Increases the contract limit from \$100,000 to \$250,000 for public works projects undertaken by the public entity employees.

Present law requires all public work exceeding \$100,000, including labor and materials, to be done by a public entity to be advertised and let by contract to the lowest responsible bidder.

Proposed law increases the contract limit from \$100,000 to \$250,000 for public works projects undertaken by the public entity employees.

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