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## DIGEST

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HB No. 192

**Abstract:** Provides an exception to the requirement for electronic submission of bids for public contracts and materials and supplies for any parish with a police jury form of government and a population of less than 20,000 in addition to any city or municipality with a population of less than 10,000. Further authorizes public entities to have the option to require that all bids be submitted electronically for any competitive bid let out for public bid. Further requires public entities to include all bid documents on the electronic website accepting the electronic bids.

Present law provides the option for bids to be electronically transmitted to political subdivisions via secure electronic interactive environment. The public entity shall delineate any special conditions in the advertisement for bids. The advertisement shall contain the electronic bids.

Present law provides an exception for any parish with a police jury form of government and a population of less than 50,000 and any city or municipality with a population of less than 25,000.

Proposed law changes the exception for any parish with a police jury form of government and a population of less than 50,000 to 20,000 and any city or municipality with a population of less than 25,000 to 10,000.

Proposed law provides for public entities to have the option to require that all bids be submitted electronically for any competitive bid let out for public bid.

Proposed law requires public entities to include all bid documents on the electronic website accepting the electronic bids.

Present law provides an option for electronic bidding for purchases of materials and supplies by political subdivisions and requires political subdivisions to make provisions for receipt of bids electronically following the adopted standards provided for in LAC 4:XV.701. Further provides an exception for receiving electronic bids for those political subdivisions that do not have high-speed Internet access until such time that they acquire access.

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than 25,000 to 10,000.

(Amends R.S. 38:2212(A)(1)(f)(iii) and (iv) and 2212.1(B)(4)(c) and (d); Adds R.S. 38:2212(A)(1)(f)(vi) and (vii) and 2212.1(B)(4)(f))