RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

ACT 292 (SB 166)

2023 Regular Session

Jackson

<u>Existing law</u> requires the governor to submit to the legislature no later than the eighth day of each regular session a capital outlay budget which implements the first year of the five-year capital outlay program and the bond authorization bill for the sale of bonds to fund projects included in the bond portion of the capital outlay bill.

<u>Existing law</u> requires non-state entities applying for capital outlay funding to provide a match of not less than 25% of the total requested funding amount with the following exceptions:

- (1) Projects deemed to be an emergency by the commissioner of administration.
- (2) Projects for which a non-state entity has demonstrated its inability to provide a local match.
- (3) A water or sewer project for a system servicing 1,250 or fewer connections.
- (4) A project undertaken by a governmental entity to provide natural gas utility services for a system that services 1,250 or fewer connections.

<u>New law</u> adds an exception that the division of administration may, at its discretion, waive the entire match or a portion thereof for an applicant project undertaken by a municipality with a population of less than 6,000 or a parish with a population of 7,500 or less which has demonstrated its inability to provide a local match by submitting the following to the division of administration:

- (1) The applicant's two most recent annual financial reports.
- (2) If the applicant project relates to an existing utility system, a rate study conducted within three years prior to the request for a waiver of the match.

<u>New law</u> provides that if the applicant project relates to an existing utility system, the division of administration may, at its discretion, approve a waiver of the entire match or a portion thereof that is contingent upon the applicant increasing utility rates.

Effective June 13, 2023.

(Adds R.S. 39:112(E)(2)(e))