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2024 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 514

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BY REPRESENTATIVE BRAUD

CONTRACTS: Increases the contract limit applicable to the Department of Transportation and Development

AN ACT

2	To amend and reenact R.S. 48:252(A)(introductory paragraph) and 253(A), relative to
3	contract limits for projects by the Department of Transportation and Development
4	to provide for contract limits for certain projects; to provide an effective date; and
5	to provide for related matters.
6	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
7	Section 1. R.S. 48:252(A)(introductory paragraph) and 253(A) are hereby amended
8	and reenacted to read as follows:
9	§252. Advertisement for bids; public presentment and reading of bids; fee for bid
0	proposals
1	A. Contracts for projects with an aggregate estimated cost less than the
12	contract limit but in excess of fifty one hundred thousand dollars shall be let in
13	accordance with the following provisions:
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15	§253. Bid bonds accompanying bids
16	A. Every bid submitted for projects in excess of fifty one hundred thousand
17	dollars shall be accompanied by a bid bond guaranteed by a surety company
18	qualified to do business in this state. The bid bond submitted shall be for five
19	percent of the official bid amount.
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- 1 Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not
- 2 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature
- 3 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If
- 4 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become
- 5 effective on the day following such approval.

## **DIGEST**

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**Abstract:** Increases the contract limit for certain projects.

<u>Present law</u> specifies that contracts for projects with an aggregate estimate cost less than the contract limit but in excess of \$50,000.

<u>Proposed law</u> increases the contract limit in <u>present law</u> from in excess of \$50,000 to in excess of \$100,000.

<u>Present law</u> requires every bid submitted in excess of \$50,000 be accompanied by a bid bond guaranteed by a surety company qualified to do business in this state.

Proposed law increases the excess bid amount in present law from \$50,000 to \$100,000.

(Amends R.S. 48:252(A)(intro. para.) and 253(A))