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Present law authorizes political subdivisions to enter into performance-based energy efficiency contracts for services and equipment.

Present law requires political subdivision to issue requests for proposals to solicit project bids and requires certain information to be included in the bids.

Proposed law changes the method of procurement to requests for qualifications to allow political subdivisions to select a vendor before requiring proposers to complete full project proposals.

Present law requires performance-based energy efficiency contracts to be based on annual energy cost savings.

Proposed law changes the requirements of how savings are determined.

Present law requires political subdivisions to select an energy efficiency independent third-party evaluation consultant to review and evaluate submitted proposals.

Proposed law changes the requirement from selecting to engaging an energy efficiency independent third-party evaluation consultant unless the total proposed project cost is less than $500,000 in which case the political subdivision may opt out due to administrative or financial constraints.

Proposed law authorizes political subdivisions to jointly engage an energy efficiency independent third-party evaluation consultant.

Proposed law authorizes political subdivisions to require an investment grade audit prior to executing a contract and provides for payments for the audits.

Proposed law authorizes the use of different structures of performance-based energy efficiency contracts.

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(Amends R.S. 33:4547.1(B)(1), (C), (E)(1), (F)(2)(g) and 4547.2(A)-(F); adds R.S. 33:4547.1(E)(7) and (G)-(I); repeals R.S. 33:4547.2(G) and (H))