

SENATE BILL NO. 167

BY SENATOR FOIL

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

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AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 38:2212(C)(3), relative to public contracts; to provide for an increase to the annual limit on work performed by a public entity to restore or rehabilitate a levee which is not maintained with federal funds, including mitigation on public lands owned by the state or a political subdivision; to provide for a sunset date; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 38:2212(C)(3) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§2212. Advertisement and letting to lowest responsible and responsive bidder;

public work; electronic bidding; participation in mentor-protégé

program; exemptions; subpoena

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(3)(a) The annual limit by a public entity for any work to restore or rehabilitate a levee that is not maintained with federal funds, including mitigation on public lands owned by the state or a political subdivision, shall not exceed the sum of one million **five hundred thousand** dollars, including labor, materials, and equipment, which is not publicly bid, as per the rates in the latest edition of the Associated Equipment Distributors Rental Rate Book, and administrative overhead not to exceed fifteen percent; provided that the work is undertaken by the public entity with its own resources and employees, or with the resources and employees of another public entity through a cooperative endeavor or other agreement with such entity.

(b) **A public entity shall annually submit a report to the Joint Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works providing an accounting of all projects self-performed pursuant to the authority granted in Subsection A of this Section. The report shall include, at a minimum, the following information**

