2026 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 1129

BY REPRESENTATIVE SCHAMERHORN

PROPERTY/PUBLIC: Provides relative to the selling of state-owned surplus movable property

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 39:330.1(A)(1), relative to the sale of surplus state-owned property; to provide for preference of in-state auctioneers; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 39:330.1(A)(1) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§330.1. Sale of surplus property

A.(1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary and except as provided by R.S. 39:330(G), the commissioner of administration, on behalf of the state, is hereby authorized to sell surplus movable property of any board, commission, agency, or department of the state at public auction. In the case of live public auction, the commissioner of administration may hire qualified licensed auctioneers to handle said sale, who shall be compensated from the proceeds of such sale.

<u>(a)</u> Selection of an auctioneer shall be by competitive bid under the provisions of the Louisiana Procurement Code, R.S. 39:1551 et seq. The selection of the auctioneer shall be for the period of one year and the commissioner shall be required to select the auctioneer by competitive bid annually.

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(b) Where both in-state and out-of-state auctioneers are bidding, in-state auctioneers shall be given preference, provided such services are equal in quality and do not exceed in cost by more than ten percent of services available from outside the state.

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Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become effective on the day following such approval.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides a preference for in-state auctioneers in the sale of state-owned surplus property.

Present law authorizes the commissioner of administration to sell state-owned surplus movable property at public auction. Authorizes the commissioner of administration to hire qualified licensed auctioneers to handle the sale.

Proposed law gives a preference for an in-state auctioneer over an out-of-state auctioneer where services provided are equal in quality and do not exceed in cost by more than 10% of services available from out-of-state auctioneers.

(Amends R.S. 39:330.1(A)(1))

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