## DIGEST

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Alario HB No. 69

**Abstract:** Increases the contract limit for projects of the facility planning and control section of the division of administration which are let as a result of a gubernatorially declared disaster or emergency.

<u>Present law</u> establishes the dollar limit, known as the "contract limit", for public works above which the contracting public entity is required to advertise for bids for performance of the contract and award the contract to the lowest responsible bidder. The contract limit is \$100,000.

<u>Present law</u> provides for exceptions for the contract limit for certain projects for the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections and also for certain bridge construction building projects for political subdivisions with populations of less than 16,000.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and provides that the contract limit for disaster recovery projects let by the facility planning and control section of the division of administration shall be \$500,000 when such projects are undertaken due to a gubernatorially declared disaster or emergency.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Adds R.S. 38:2212(A)(1)(d)(iv))