

HOUSE SUMMARY OF SENATE AMENDMENTS

House Bill No. 479 by Representative Ponti

PROCUREMENT: Requires the commissioner of administration to develop policies and procedures for notification of certain local nonprofit procurement technical assistance centers regarding public bids and other competitive opportunities for state procurements and public contracts

Synopsis of Senate Amendments

1. Adds reference to various local nonprofit entities throughout the state to be notified regarding public bids and other competitive opportunities for state procurements and public contracts.

Digest of Bill as Finally Passed by Senate

Present law establishes the Louisiana Initiative for Small Entrepreneurships (The Hudson Initiative) to increase the use of small entrepreneurships in state procurements and public contracts.

Present law requires the commissioner of administration to conduct semiannual training programs to acquaint small entrepreneurships with state procurement and public contract proposal and bidding practices.

Proposed law retains present law and adds a requirement that the commissioner of administration publish policies and procedures to establish the method by which chief procurement officers and the director of contractual review shall provide notification regarding public bids and other competitive opportunities for state procurements and public contracts to the Louisiana Procurement Technical Assistance Center in Lafayette, the Northwest Louisiana Procurement Technical Assistance Center in Shreveport, and all Louisiana Procurement Technical Assistance Centers located across the state which are nonprofit organizations established to assist small businesses competing for government contracts.

(Amends R.S. 39:2007(D))