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SENATE BILL NO. 182

BY SENATOR WHITE

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

PUBLIC CONTRACTS. Repeals provision regarding access to bidding documents for public bidding. (8/1/21)

1 AN ACT

- To repeal R.S. 37:2163(B), relative to public bids and access to bidding documents; and to
- 3 provide for related matters.
- 4 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
- 5 Section 1. R.S. 37:2163(B) is hereby repealed.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Martha S. Hess.

DIGEST

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<u>Present law</u> requires that only contractors holding an active license may be awarded contracts either by bid or through negotiation and that the contractor's license number be displayed on the bid envelope or an authentic digital signature in the case of an electronic bid.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains these provisions.

<u>Present law</u> requires that if bids are to be received or forms furnished by an awarding authority, then no proposal forms or specifications can be issued to anyone except a licensed contractor or his representative. Requires that all proposal forms be issued no later than 24 hours prior to the hour and date set for receiving proposals.

<u>Proposed law</u> repeals these provisions.

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Effective August 1, 2021.

(Repeals R.S. 37:2163(B))