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HB 76 Engrossed

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Abstract: Increases <u>from</u> 1,249 <u>to</u> 4,999, the maximum number of customers that a rural water system may service to qualify for the exemption from local match requirements for capital outlay projects.

<u>Present law</u> requires the governor to submit a capital outlay budget which implements the first year of the five-year capital outlay program and the bond authorization bill for the sale of bonds to fund projects included in the bond portion of the capital outlay bill to the legislature no later than the eighth day of each regular session.

<u>Present law</u> requires nonstate entities applying for capital outlay funding to provide a match of not less than 25% of the total requested funding amount with the following exceptions:

- (1) Projects deemed to be an emergency by the commissioner.
- (2) Projects for which a nonstate entity has demonstrated its inability to provide a local match.
- (3) Projects for rural water systems servicing fewer than a certain number of customers

Proposed law retains present law.

<u>Present law</u> provides that the exception for rural water systems applies to those systems that service less than 1,250 customers. <u>Proposed law</u> changes the customer number limitation <u>from</u> less than 1,250 customers <u>to</u> fewer than 5,000 customers.

Applicable to the funding of nonstate entity projects included in the capital outlay budget for fiscal years commencing on and after July 1, 2021.

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

(Amends R.S. 39:112(E)(2)(c))