

# ACT No. 180

2025 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 312

BY REPRESENTATIVE GADBERRY

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 38:2318.1(A) and (B), relative to negotiations for architectural  
3 and engineering professional services; to prohibit the state and certain governmental  
4 entities or persons they contract with from using price or price-related information  
5 as a factor in the selection of specific architectural and engineering professionals for  
6 projects using state or local funding; and to provide for related matters.

7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

8 Section 1. R.S. 38:2318.1(A) and (B) are hereby amended and reenacted to read as  
9 follows:

10 §2318.1. Louisiana "No Bidding of Architectural and Engineering Professional  
11 Services" policy

12 A. It is the policy of the state of Louisiana and its political subdivisions and  
13 agencies to select architectural and engineering professional services on the basis of  
14 competence and qualifications for a fair and reasonable price. ~~Neither~~ For projects  
15 using state or local funding, neither the state nor any of its political subdivisions, ~~or~~  
16 agencies, or persons they contract through may select architects, engineers,  
17 landscape architects, and land surveyors where price or price-related information is  
18 a factor in the selection.

19 B. A political subdivision, ~~or~~ agency, or persons they contract through shall  
20 negotiate a contract for professional services at a compensation rate that the agency  
21 head determines is fair and reasonable with the firm selected. If the political  
22 subdivision, ~~or~~ agency, or persons they contract through is unable to negotiate a

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

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