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HOUSE BILL NO. 823

BY REPRESENTATIVE DANAHAAY

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

PUBLIC CONTRACT/BIDS: Exempts special service districts created by a parish with a police jury form of government from the requirements relating to the receipt of bids via high speed Internet access

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 38:2212(A)(1)(f)(v) and 2212.1(B)(4)(e), relative to public contracts through

3 the receipt of electronic bids; to exempt any special service district created by a

4 parish with a police jury form of government from the requirements relating to the

5 receipt of bids via high speed Internet access; and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S.38:2212(A)(1)(f)(v) and 2212.1(B)(4)(e) are hereby enacted to read

8 as follows:

9 §2212. Advertisement and letting to lowest responsible bidder; public work;

10 electronic bidding; participation in mentor-protégé program; exemptions

11 A.(1)

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13 (f)

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15 (v) Any special service district created by a police jury form of government

16 and which is unable to comply with R.S. 38:2212(A)(1)(f)(ii) without securing and

17 expending additional funding shall be exempt from the provisions of this

18 Subparagraph. The special service district shall be exempted from any expenditures

1 for high speed Internet access, software, personnel costs, training, or other office
2 equipment directly relating to the receipt of bids via high speed Internet access.

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4 §2212.1. Advertisement and letting to lowest responsible bidder; materials and
5 supplies; exemptions

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7 B.

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11 (e) Any special service district created by a police jury form of government
12 and which is unable to comply with R.S. 38:2212.1(B)(4)(b) without securing and
13 expending additional funding shall be exempt from the provisions of this Paragraph.
14 The special service district shall be exempted from any expenditures for high speed
15 Internet access, software, personnel costs, training, or other office equipment directly
16 relating to the receipt of bids via high speed Internet access.

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DIGEST

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Abstract: Exempts any special service district created by a parish with a police jury form of government from the requirements relating to the receipt of bids via high speed Internet access. Further exempts the special service district from any expenditures for high speed Internet access, software, personnel costs, training, or other office equipment directly relating to the receipt of bids via high speed Internet access.

Present law provides for bids for public contracts and purchasing of materials and supplies, to be electronically transmitted to local governments via secure electronic interactive environment. The public entity shall delineate any special conditions in the advertisement for bids. The advertisement shall contain the electronic address of the public entity and established times that the public would have access to such electronic interactive environment for purposes of submission of a bid.

Present law provides the option for bids to be electronically transmitted to political subdivisions via secure electronic interactive environment. The public entity shall delineate any special conditions in the advertisement for bids. The advertisement shall contain the electronic address of the public entity, any bid-related information, as well as all written notifications of the bid information.

Present law provides an exception for receiving electronic bids for those political subdivisions that do not have high speed Internet access until such time that they acquire access.

Proposed law exempts any special service district created by a police jury form of government and which is unable to comply with requirements of receiving bids by high speed Internet access without securing and expending additional funding. Further exempts the special service district from any expenditures for high speed Internet access, software, personnel costs, training, or other office equipment directly relating to the receipt of bids via high speed Internet access.

(Adds R.S. 38:2212(A)(1)(f)(v) and 2212.1(B)(4)(e))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works to the original bill.

1. Adds an additional exemption and further exempts the special service district from any expenditures for high speed Internet access, software, personnel costs, training, or other office equipment directly relating to the receipt of bids via high speed Internet access.