

Regular Session, 2011

SENATE BILL NO. 196

BY SENATOR MARIONNEAUX

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

PUBLIC CONTRACTS. Provides a preference for the purchase of steel pipe manufactured in Louisiana. (8/15/11)

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 38:2251.2, relative to public contracts; to provide a preference for steel pipe manufactured in this state; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 38:2251.2 is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§2251.2. Preference for steel rolled in Louisiana

A. When purchasing steel or steel pipe, every person acting as purchasing agent for any agency, board, commission, department, or other instrumentality of the state or of a parish, municipality, or other unit of local government, including a levee board, drainage district, school board, or special district, shall purchase steel rolled or steel pipe manufactured in this state which is equal in quality to steel rolled or steel pipe manufactured outside the state, provided the cost of steel rolled or steel pipe manufactured in this state does not exceed by more than ten percent the cost of steel which is rolled or steel pipe manufactured outside the state.

B. The provisions of this Section shall not apply when sufficient quantities of steel rolled or steel pipe manufactured in Louisiana are not available.

The original instrument was prepared by Jerry J. Guillot. The following digest, which does not constitute a part of the legislative instrument, was prepared by Riley Boudreaux.

DIGEST

Marionneaux (SB 196)

Present law, relative to public contracts, provides that when purchasing steel, every person acting as purchasing agent for any agency, board, commission, department, or other instrumentality of the state or of a parish, municipality, or other unit of local government, including a levee board, drainage district, school board, or special district, shall purchase steel rolled in this state which is equal in quality to steel rolled outside the state, provided the cost of steel rolled in this state does not exceed by more than 10% of the cost of steel which is rolled outside the state. Provides that this preference does not apply when sufficient quantities of steel rolled in this state are not available.

Proposed law retains present law and extends the preference to steel pipe manufactured in this state.

Effective August 15, 2011.

(Amends R.S. 38:2251.2)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

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

1. Clarifies that steel pipe must be of the same quality as out of state pipe to qualify for the preference.