

SENATE BILL NO. 408

BY SENATOR MURRAY

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 38:2225.2.1(A)(1) and (3), relative to sewerage and water
3 boards; to authorize the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans to use design-
4 build contracts; to extend the authorization time for use of design-build contracts by
5 certain public entities in areas damaged by Hurricane Katrina, Hurricane Rita, or
6 both; and to provide for related matters.

7 Notice of intention to introduce this Act has been published.

8 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

9 Section 1. R.S. 38:2225.2.1(A)(1) and (3) are hereby amended and reenacted to read
10 as follows:

11 §2225.2.1. Design-build contracts; authorized use by certain public entities in areas
12 damaged by Hurricane Katrina, Hurricane Rita, or both

13 A.(1) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the following public entities
14 may utilize the design-build method in the construction or repair of any public
15 building or structure which has been destroyed or damaged by Hurricane Katrina,
16 Hurricane Rita, or both or any public building or structure to be constructed or
17 repaired to meet a homeland security or criminal justice need pursuant to a hurricane
18 recovery plan: the division of administration, the Recovery School District, the city
19 of New Orleans, **the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans**, sheriffs, housing
20 authorities, and parish governments in Calcasieu, Cameron, Jefferson, Orleans,
21 Plaquemines, St. Bernard, St. Tammany, and Vermilion parishes and the Port of New
22 Orleans.

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24 (3) For the purposes of this Section, "design-builder" means the entity
25 contractually responsible for delivering the project design and construction. This
26 authority shall extend for ~~five~~ **six** years from July 10, 2007, after which time only
27 those projects that were contracted for prior to that date may proceed.

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Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become effective on the day following such approval.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____