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## DIGEST

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HB No. 559

**Abstract:** Extends the length of time from six years to seven or eight years for the utilization of the design-build method for projects of certain parishes or entities.

Present law, relative to the Public Bid Law, authorizes the following public entities to utilize the design-build method in the construction or repair of any public building or structure which was destroyed or damaged by Hurricane Katrina, Hurricane Rita, or both; the division of administration; the Recovery School District; the Orleans Parish School Board; the city of New Orleans; the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans; and parish governments in Calcasieu, Cameron, Jefferson, Orleans, Plaquemines, St. Bernard, St. Tammany, and Vermilion parishes; and the Port of New Orleans.

Present law provides that the authority granted in present law extends for six years from July 10, 2007, after which time only those projects that were contracted for prior to such termination date may proceed.

Proposed law retains present law for all entities listed in present law except the Recovery School District, Orleans Parish School Board, and the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans.

Proposed law extends the length of time from six years to seven years, or until July 10, 2014, for the utilization of the design-build method for projects of the Recovery School District and the Orleans Parish School Board.

Proposed law extends the length of time from six years to eight years, or until July 10, 2015, for the utilization of the design-build method for projects of the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans.

(Amends R.S. 38:2225.2.1(A)(3); Adds R.S. 38:2225.2.1(A)(4), (5), and (6))

### Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

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

1. Extended the length of time from seven years, as proposed in original bill, to eight years, or until July 10, 2015, for the utilization of the design-build method for projects of certain parishes or entities under present law.

House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill.

1. Retained present law for all entities listed in present law except the Recovery School District, Orleans Parish School Board, and the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans.
2. Extended the length of time from six years to seven years, or until July 10, 2014, for the utilization of the design-build method for projects of the Recovery School District and the Orleans Parish School Board.
3. Extended the length of time from six years to eight years, or until July 10, 2015, for the utilization of the design-build method for projects of the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans.