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SB 163 Engrossed

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Present law provides that state agencies shall purchase, if available, goods and services from prison enterprises, or products manufactured in a certified Private Sector/Prison Industry Enhancement Program, if the prices are less than those of central purchasing.

Present law (R.S. 39:2001 et seq.) provides for the "Hudson Initiative" to encourage business opportunities for small entrepreneurs by encouraging participation by such entities in state procurement and public contracts.

Present law (R.S. 39:2171 et seq.) provides for the "Veteran Initiative" to encourage business opportunities for La. veteran and service-connected disabled veteran-owned small entrepreneurs by encouraging participation by such entities in state procurement and public contracts.

Proposed law provides that state agencies which operate a state prison may purchase, if available, goods and services from vendors located in the parish in which the prison facility is located if the prices are less than those of central purchasing or prison enterprises, and the vendor meets the requirements of the Hudson Initiative and the Veteran Initiative.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 15:1157(A))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Finance to the original bill

1. Adds provision for vendors to meet the requirements of the Hudson Initiative and the Veterans Initiative.

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice to the engrossed bill:

1. Correct the short titles and citations referencing the Hudson Initiative (R.S. 39:2001 et seq.) and the Veteran Initiative (R.S. 39:2171 et seq.).