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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)

1 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 <u>or steel pipe</u>, 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 <u>or steel pipe manufactured</u> in this state which is equal in quality to steel rolled outside the state, provided the cost of steel rolled <u>or steel pipe manufactured</u> in this state does not exceed by more than ten percent the cost of steel which is rolled <u>or steel pipe manufactured</u> outside the state.

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

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The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Jerry J. Guillot.

## **DIGEST**

<u>Present law</u>, 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.

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

Effective August 15, 2011.

(Amends R.S. 38:2251.2)