

2016 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 288

BY SENATOR APPEL

PUBLIC CONTRACTS. Prohibits a political subdivision from adopting more restrictive requirements and provides for state preemption. (8/1/16)

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 38:2211.1 and to repeal R.S. 38:2225.1(B)(2), relative to public contracts; to provide relative to the awarding and performance of contracts for public works; to provide for preemption of state law; to provide certain terms and conditions; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 38:2211.1 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§2211.1. Preemption

No political subdivision shall adopt an ordinance setting forth requirements more restrictive than the provisions of this Chapter for the awarding and performance of a public contract. This prohibition shall include an ordinance mandating local or other preferential hiring requirements, not otherwise provided by state law, for a bidder or contractor. Any ordinance in violation of this Section on its effective date or adopted thereafter shall be deemed preempted by state law and be null and void.

Section 3. R.S. 38:225.1(B)(2) is hereby repealed.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Margaret M. Corley.

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Present law establishes the Public Bid Law and provides that all public work exceeding the contract limit provided for in present law shall be let out for bid.

Proposed law provides that no political subdivision shall enact an ordinance mandating local or other preferential hiring requirements not provided for in present law.

Proposed law provides that any ordinance in violation with proposed law on its effective date or adopted thereafter shall be deemed preempted by proposed law and shall be null and void.

Effective Aug. 1, 2016.

(Adds R.S. 38:2211.1; repeals R.S. 38:2225.1(B)(2))