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SENATE BILL NO. 126

BY SENATOR MURRAY

PUBLIC CONTRACTS. Extends the length of time relative to the utilization of design-build contracts. (7/1/12)

AN ACT

2	To amend and reenact R.S. 38:2225.2.1(A)(3), relative to public contracts; to extend the
3	time relative to the utilization of design-build contracts under certain circumstances;
4	and to provide for related matters.
5	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
6	Section 1. R.S. 38:2225.2.1(A)(3) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as
7	follows:
8	§2225.2.1. Design-build contracts; authorized use by certain public entities in areas
9	damaged by Hurricane Katrina, Hurricane Rita, or both
10	A. * * *
11	(3) For the purposes of this Section, "design-builder" means the entity
12	contractually responsible for delivering the project design and construction. This
13	authority shall extend for five six years from July 10, 2007, after which time only
14	those projects that were contracted for prior to that date may proceed.
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16	Section 2. This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2012.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Sharon F. Lyles.

DIGEST

<u>Present law</u> authorizes the following public entities to utilize the design-build method to contract for the construction or repair of any public building or structure which was destroyed or damaged by Hurricane Katrina, Hurricane Rita, or both, or any public building or structure to be constructed or repaired to meet a homeland security or criminal justice need pursuant to a hurricane recovery plan: the division of administration, the Recovery School District, the city of New Orleans, sheriffs, housing authorities, and parish governments in Calcasieu, Cameron, Jefferson, Orleans, Plaquemines, St. Bernard, St. Tammany, and Vermilion, and the Port of New Orleans.

<u>Present law</u> provides that such authority to utilize the design-build contracts extends for five years from July 10, 2007, after which time only those projects that were contracted for prior to such termination date may proceed.

<u>Proposed law</u> extends the length of time for such design-build contracts <u>from</u> five years <u>to</u> six years or until July 10, 2013.

Effective July 1, 2012.

(Amends R.S. 38:2225.2.1(A)(3))