

BILL SUMMARY
1st Session of the 58th Legislature

Bill No.:	HB 2862
Version:	Introduced
Request Number:	5036
Author:	Rep. Wallace
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Impact:	OMES: minimal impact

Research Analysis

HB 2862, as introduced, raises the several dollar amount limits and thresholds related to competitive bidding, including:

- The threshold for public construction contracts from \$50,000 to \$100,000, but keeps the threshold at \$50,000 for construction management trade contracts or subcontracts, and contracts under \$100,000 would be let and awarded to the lowest responsible bidder or awarded on basis of competitive quotes
- The limit on construction contracts that may be negotiated with a qualified contractor is raised from \$5,000 to \$10,000;
- The limit on contracts for right-of-way clearance to not be considered construction contracts and required to be open for bidding is raised from \$50,000 to \$100,000;
- The limit on contracts for projects of the Oklahoma Department of Wildlife conservation relating to fish and wildlife conservation is raised from \$25,000 to \$50,000;
- The limit on contracts under an emergency authority declared by the governing body of a public agency is raised from \$75,000 to \$150,000.

Other requirements, including notice and bidding requirements, are updated to reflect the new limits.

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Fiscal Analysis

HB 2862 in its current form increases the threshold where certain procedures are required for certain public construction contracts. Previous analysis of similar legislation by the Office of Management and Enterprise Services (OMES) resulted in an anticipated minimal impact to OMES, less than \$15,000 per year, as a result of the changes made pursuant to the provisions of HB 2862.

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Other Considerations

None.

