

HB 717 -- GUARANTEED ENERGY COST SAVINGS CONTRACTS

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Currently, a governmental unit is required to award a contract to a qualified provider if, among other things, it finds that the amount it would spend on the energy cost savings measures recommended in the proposal would not exceed the amount of energy or operational savings, or both, within a 15-year period from the date installation is complete, if the recommendations in the proposal are followed. This bill extends the time frame to a 25-year period.

The bill also modifies the definition of "energy cost savings measure" to include a training program or facility improvement, modernization, system replacement, or building replacement, including any of the following:

- (1) Roofing, exterior building, envelope, and piping;
- (2) Domestic water, sewer, and domestic hot water system improvements;
- (3) Indoor swimming pool improvements; and
- (4) Any security or safety improvement that provides long term operating cost reduction and improves the safety of the building occupants.

This bill is the same as SB 126 (2019).