

HB 2912 -- STATE CONTRACTS FOR CERTAIN SERVICES

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Currently, the agencies of the State may, when authorized, establish standing contracts to accomplish construction, renovation, maintenance, and repair projects not exceeding \$100,000 and job order contracts not to exceed \$300,000.

This bill increases those limits to \$250,000 and \$750,000.

The bill defines "master agreement" as a contract for architecture, engineering, or land surveying services that will be performed on an as-needed basis for an indefinite number of projects over a defined period. The Division of Facilities Management, Design, and Construction of the Office of Administration will have the authority to establish master agreements using a qualification-based selection process where services do not exceed \$100,000 per project.

The Division will issue a request for qualifications for all master agreements, to be published on their website or advertised electronically for at least 10 days before statements of qualifications are reviewed. Requests for qualifications must specify the number of master agreements to be awarded and the basis for establishing multiple master agreements, and such agreements may be awarded based on a set number, geographic region, or the type of projects or services to be performed. Evaluation of the statements of qualifications is specified in the bill.

Master agreements will not exceed two years, including renewal periods, and the value of all services performed under a master agreement must not exceed \$1,000,000 per year. Master agreements must set forth agreed-upon terms and conditions and the fee schedule or hourly rate for the specified period. The scope, schedule, and total fee for each project performed under the master agreement will be established by a task order issued by the Division.