

**HB 2585-S - DIGEST**

(SUBSTITUTED FOR - SEE 3RD SUB)

Exempts purchases by institutions of higher education, less than one hundred thousand dollars, from certain competitive bidding and competitive solicitation requirements.

Authorizes institutions of higher education to: (1) Make payments in advance for equipment maintenance services to be performed up to sixty months after such payment;

(2) Implement compensation changes for classifications the human resources director has approved for inclusion in higher education health care special pay;

(3) Make changes for other health care classifications that the institutions may identify;

(4) Make direct deposits to financial institutions for payment of salaries and wages of employees; and

(5) Use all appropriate means for making and paying for travel arrangements based on standard industry practices and federal accountable plan requirements.