Washington State House of Representatives Office of Program Research



Capital Budget Committee

HB 2771

Brief Description: Concerning public hospital district contracts for material and work.

Sponsors: Representatives Bergquist and Johnson.

Brief Summary of Bill

• Authorizes awarding public works contracts for more than the estimated cost.

Hearing Date: 1/29/16

Staff: Steve Masse (786-7115).

Background:

Public Hospital Districts (PHDs) are authorized to enter into contracts for materials and labor for construction or repair projects at PHD facilities. For projects over \$75,000 the PHDs are required to publish notice for sealed bids. The contract may be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder or to the best bidder. The PHDs cannot award a contract for more than the amount of the estimated cost of the materials and labor.

Summary of Bill:

Public Hospital Districts (PHDs) are authorized to enter into contracts for more than the amount of the estimated cost of materials and labor for projects over \$75,000.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Effective Date: The bill takes effect 90 days after adjournment of the session in which the bill is passed.

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