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The Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability (Hays) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

Section 1. Section 255.0992, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

255.0992 Public works projects; prohibited governmental actions.-

- (1) As used in this section, the term:
- (a) "Political subdivision" means a separate agency or unit

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- 11 of local government created or established by law or ordinance 12 and the officers thereof. The term includes, but is not limited to, a county; a city, town, or other municipality; or a 13 department, commission, authority, school district, taxing 14 15 district, water management district, board, public corporation, institution of higher education, or other public agency or body 16 17 thereof authorized to expend public funds for construction, 18 maintenance, repair, or improvement of public works. 19 (b) "Public works project" means an activity that is paid 20 for in whole or in part with state funds and that consists of 21 the construction, maintenance, repair, renovation, remodeling, 22 or improvement of a building, road, street, sewer, storm drain, water system, site development, irrigation system, reclamation 23 24 project, gas or electrical distribution system, gas or 25 electrical substation, or other facility, project, or portion 26 thereof that is owned in whole or in part by any political 27 subdivision. 28 (2) (a) Except as required by federal or state law, the 29 state or any political subdivision that contracts for a public 30 works project may not require that a contractor, subcontractor, 31 or material supplier or carrier engaged in such project: 32 1. Pay employees a predetermined amount of wages or 33 prescribe any wage rate; 34
 - 2. Provide employees a specified type, amount, or rate of employee benefits;
 - 3. Control, limit, or expand staffing; or
 - 4. Recruit, train, or hire employees from a designated, restricted, or single source.
 - (b) The state or any political subdivision that contracts

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for a public works project may not prohibit any contractor, subcontractor, or material supplier or carrier able to perform such work who is qualified, licensed, or certified as required by state law to perform such work from submitting a bid on the public works project or being awarded any contract, subcontract, material order, or carrying order.

(3) This section does not apply to contracts executed under chapter 337.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2016.

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======== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T ========= And the title is amended as follows:

Delete everything before the enacting clause and insert:

A bill to be entitled

An act relating to public works projects; creating s. 255.0992, F.S.; providing definitions; prohibiting the state and political subdivisions that contract for public works projects from imposing restrictive conditions on certain contractors, subcontractors, or material suppliers or carriers; prohibiting the state and political subdivisions from restricting qualified bidders from submitting bids or being awarded contracts; providing applicability; providing an effective date.