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## Via Email Only to:

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RE: Proposed LAC 34:V.Chapter 16 – Procurement Protest Bonds

President Henry and Speaker DeVillier:

On October 9, 2025, a copy of the Notice of Intent for the above-referenced proposed rules was sent to you for review. In accordance with the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act, R.S. 49:950 et seq., the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Office of State Procurement proposes to create Chapter 16 of LAC 34.V. The rules being proposed are to implement provisions of Act 5 of the 2024 Regular Session, effective June 11, 2025. The Act created a new bond to stay procurements during protests of a solicitation or award, for which this rulemaking will provide the form of the bond or security and procedures.

The Notice of Intent was published in the October 2025 issue of the Louisiana Register. A public hearing was held at the Claiborne Building today, December 1, 2025. No one attended the meeting and no written or oral comments were received. No changes will be made to the text of the rule before it is finalized.

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This report is being submitted in accordance with R.S. 49:966(D)(1)(B) of the Administrative Procedure Act. Unless otherwise directed, the proposed rule will be submitted for publication as a final rule in the January 2025 edition of the Louisiana Register. Should you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Dirk Thibodeaux at <a href="mailto:dirk.thibodeaux@la.gov">dirk.thibodeaux@la.gov</a> or (225) 342-8056.

Sincerely,

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