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April 7, 2022

ENGROSSED HOUSE
BILL NO. 3740

By: Bashore of the House

and

Montgomery of the Senate

An Act relating to transportation; amending 69 O.S. 2021, Section 633, which relates to plans and specifications; modifying project costs that require engineering plans and specifications; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 69 O.S. 2021, Section 633, is amended to read as follows:

Section 633. A. When any culvert or bridge is to be constructed at an estimated cost of ~~One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000.00)~~ Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$300,000.00)

or more, or any culvert or bridge reconstruction is to be accomplished at an estimated cost of ~~One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000.00)~~ Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$300,000.00)

or more, or grade-and-drainage project is to be developed, or reconstruction, replacement or major repairs are to be accomplished by the board of county commissioners acting alone or in cooperation with the state or federal government, at an estimated cost of ~~Four~~

1 ~~Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$400,000.00)~~ Eight Hundred Thousand
2 Dollars (\$800,000.00) or more, in either event, engineering plans
3 and specifications shall be prepared by the county engineer to
4 ~~insure~~ ensure sound engineering practices. The project shall be
5 advertised for bids pursuant to Section 1101 of this title, and the
6 contract shall be let only after notice at a public letting. If the
7 construction work can be completed for a cost below or equal to the
8 estimate of the engineer or below any bid submitted at a public
9 letting and so entered in its journal, nothing in this title shall
10 prevent the board from causing the same to be built by day labor,
11 force account, and purchase by the county of materials as provided
12 by law.

13 B. If the board of county commissioners deems it necessary, it
14 may consult and seek the advice of the Department of Transportation
15 regarding the design, construction and maintenance of the project,
16 and the Department of Transportation may furnish advice for any of
17 the projects to ~~insure~~ ensure sound engineering practices. If
18 provided, the services shall be furnished without cost or expense to
19 the county.

20 C. The board may authorize the county clerk to draw warrants
21 for the amount of payrolls for labor furnished under the day labor
22 system, when the payrolls are certified to as correct by the
23 engineer or person in charge of the work, and the payroll shall be
24 passed upon by the board following certification.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2022.

COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION
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