

One Hundred Ninth Legislature - First Session - 2025

Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB445

Chairperson: Senator Rita Sanders

Committee: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs

Date of Hearing: February 05, 2025

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

LB 445 establishes the State Building Construction Alternatives Act to allow State Building Division to solicit and execute Design-Build contracts or Construction Manager-General Contractor contracts for construction services as an option available for facilities construction in addition to the current method of design-bid-build. The bill articulates the specific procedures by which the Division may solicit and execute such contracts. LB 445 also increases from \$50,000 to \$75,000 the threshold at which projects require agencies to hire a professional design consultant and provides for an inflationary adjustment every four years. In addition, LB 445 changes State Building Division's current annual reporting requirement to the Appropriations Committee of the amount of property leased by the state and the availability of state-owned property to instead submit such report upon the request of the Appropriations Committee, Committee on Building Maintenance, or a member of the Legislature. This bill also eliminates the current requirement for State Building Division to report monthly time-cost data on projects to the Governor and the Clerk of the Legislature.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator R. Brad von Gillern