

House Bill 613

By: Representatives Smith of the 18th, Jones of the 25th, Werkheiser of the 157th, Hitchens of the 161st, Evans of the 57th, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Chapter 5 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
2 Department of Administrative Services, so as to provide for preferences in certain public
3 works construction contracts to a contractor or subcontractor participating in a registered
4 apprenticeship program; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for
5 other purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 Chapter 5 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to Department of
9 Administrative Services, is amended in Code Section 50-5-72, relating to construction and
10 public works contracts conducted by department, advertising costs, and exceptions, by
11 adding a new subsection to read as follows:

12 "(f) As used in this subsection, the term 'public works construction contract' means any
13 contract exceeding a total expenditure of \$1 million that involves construction,
14 reconstruction, improvement, rehabilitation, installation, alteration, renovation, demolition,
15 or otherwise providing for any building, facility, or physical structure of any kind for any
16 department, board, bureau, commission, office, or agency of the state government. When

17 contracting for any public works construction project, the Department of Administrative
18 Services shall give preference as far as may be reasonable and practicable to a contractor
19 or subcontractor that, at the time of the bid for such contract, participates in a registered
20 apprenticeship program under Article 7 of Chapter 4 of Title 20 which is appropriate for
21 the type and scope of work to be performed under such contract."

22 **SECTION 2.**

23 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.