

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
1987 SESSION

CHAPTER 927
HOUSE BILL 2342

AN ACT TO RAISE THE STATUTORY THRESHOLD REQUIRING FORMAL BIDS FOR APPARATUS, MATERIAL, OR EQUIPMENT FOR FORSYTH COUNTY, THE CITY OF WINSTON-SALEM, AND THE FORSYTH/STOKES AREA MENTAL HEALTH, MENTAL RETARDATION AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE AUTHORITY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. The first paragraph of G.S. 143-129 reads as rewritten:

"No construction or repair work requiring the estimated expenditure of public money in an amount equal to or more than fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) or purchase of apparatus, supplies, materials, or equipment requiring an estimated expenditure of public money in an amount equal to or more than ~~ten thousand dollars (\$10,000)~~ twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000), except in cases of group purchases made by hospitals through a competitive bidding purchasing program or in cases of special emergency involving the health and safety of the people or their property, shall be performed, nor shall any contract be awarded therefor, by any board or governing body of the State, or of any institution of the State government, or of any county, city, town, or other subdivision of the State, unless the provisions of this section are complied with. For purposes of this Article, a competitive bidding group purchasing program is a formally organized program that offers purchasing services at discount prices to two or more hospital facilities. The limitation contained in this paragraph shall not apply to construction or repair work undertaken during the progress of a construction or repair project initially begun pursuant to this section. Further, the provisions of this section shall not apply to the purchase of gasoline, diesel fuel, alcohol fuel, motor oil or fuel oil. Such purchases shall be subject to G.S. 143-131."

Sec. 2. This act is effective upon ratification and shall apply only to Forsyth County, the City of Winston-Salem, and the Forsyth/Stokes Area Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Authority.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 23rd day of June, 1988.