GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA 1989 SESSION

CHAPTER 397 HOUSE BILL 857

AN ACT TO ALLOW THE CHOWAN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION TO CONTRACT WITH A GENERAL CONTRACTOR FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A BUILDING.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of G.S. 143-128, the Chowan County Board of Education may have prepared one set of specifications that includes specifications for each of the following subdivisions or branches of work to be performed:

- (1) Heating, ventilating, air conditioning and accessories, and refrigeration for cold storage when the cooling load is 15 tons or more, and all other kindred work;
- (2) Plumbing, gas fittings, and accessories, and all other kindred work;
- (3) Electrical wiring and installations, and all other kindred work;
- (4) General work relating to the erection, construction, alteration, or repair of a building that is not included in subdivisions (1) through (3) of this section.

Separate and independent bidding upon each of the subdivisions or branches of work is not necessary.

The Chowan County Board of Education may award any contracts for the erection, construction, alteration, or repair of a building to one general contractor. The general contractor may contract with separate subcontractors regularly engaged in any of the subdivisions or branches of work. The general contractor shall be directly liable to the Chowan County Board of Education for the full performance of all duties and obligations under the terms of the general contract and for the full performance of all duties and obligations of each subcontractor in accordance with the plans and specifications of the general contract.

The general contractor shall make a verifiable, good-faith effort to award ten percent (10%) of the total value of the contract to minority subcontractors.

Sec. 2. This act is effective upon ratification and applies to all contracts entered into by the Chowan County Board of Education for the erection, construction, alteration, or repair of a building on or after that date.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 21st day of June, 1989.