

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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HOUSE BILL 342

Short Title: Mecklenburg Bid Limit Increased.

(Local)

Sponsors: Representatives Alexander; Cunningham, Dickson, Earle, Easterling, Gulley, McMahan, Rayfield, and Saunders.

Referred to: Local and Regional Government II, if favorable, Finance.

February 26, 1997

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO RAISE THE THRESHOLD FOR THE INFORMAL BIDDING
2 PROCEDURE FOR LETTING PUBLIC CONTRACTS BY THE COUNTY OF
3 MECKLENBURG.
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5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 Section 1. G.S. 143-129(a) reads as rewritten:

7 "(a) No construction or repair work requiring the estimated expenditure of public
8 money in an amount equal to or more than ~~fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000)~~ one hundred
9 thousand dollars (\$100,000) or purchase of apparatus, supplies, materials, or equipment
10 requiring an estimated expenditure of public money in an amount equal to or more than
11 ~~twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000)~~ one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000), except in
12 cases of group purchases made by hospitals through a competitive bidding purchasing
13 program or in cases of special emergency involving the health and safety of the people or
14 their property, shall be performed, nor shall any contract be awarded therefor, by any
15 board or governing body of the State, or of any institution of the State government, or of
16 any county, city, town, or other subdivision of the State, unless the provisions of this
17 section are complied with. For purposes of this Article, a competitive bidding group
18 purchasing program is a formally organized program that offers purchasing services at
19 discount prices to two or more hospital facilities. The limitation contained in this

1 paragraph shall not apply to construction or repair work undertaken during the progress
2 of a construction or repair project initially begun pursuant to this section. Further, the
3 provisions of this section shall not apply to the purchase of gasoline, diesel fuel, alcohol
4 fuel, motor oil or fuel oil. Such purchases shall be subject to G.S. 143-131."

5 Section 2. Section 1 of this act applies to the County of Mecklenburg only.

6 Section 3. This act is effective when it becomes law.