

**Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.**

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# A Bill

**Act 508 of 2001**  
HOUSE BILL 1601

5 By: Representatives Biggs, *Bolin, Mack, Verkamp*  
6 By: Senator Wooldridge  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

10 AN ACT REGARDING THE PURCHASING OF GOODS AND SERVICES  
11 AND THE EXPENDITURE OF MONIES BY MAYORS OF CITIES OF  
12 THE SECOND CLASS AND INCORPORATED TOWNS.  
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### Subtitle

14 REGARDING THE PURCHASING OF GOODS AND  
15 SERVICES AND THE EXPENDITURE OF MONIES  
16 BY MAYORS OF CITIES OF THE SECOND CLASS  
17 AND INCORPORATED TOWNS.  
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21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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23 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 14-58-303 is amended to read as follows:  
24 14-58-303. Purchases and contracts generally.

25 (a) In a city of the first class, city of the second class or  
26 incorporated town, the mayor or his duly authorized representative shall have  
27 exclusive power and responsibility to make purchases of all supplies,  
28 apparatus, equipment, materials, and other things requisite for public  
29 purposes in and for the city and to make all necessary contracts for work or  
30 labor to be done or material or other necessary things to be furnished for the  
31 benefit of the city, or in carrying out any work or undertaking of a public  
32 nature therein.

33 (b)(1) The municipal governing body of any city of the first class  
34 shall provide, by ordinance, the procedure for making all purchases which do  
35 not exceed the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000). The municipal governing  
36 body of any city of the second class or incorporated town may provide, by

1 ordinance, the procedure for making all purchases.

2 (2)(A)(i) ~~Where~~ In a city of the first class, where the amount of  
3 expenditure for any purpose or contract exceeds the sum of ten thousand  
4 dollars (\$10,000), the mayor or his duly authorized representative shall  
5 invite competitive bidding thereon by legal advertisement in any local  
6 newspaper.

7 (ii) Bids received pursuant to the advertisement  
8 shall be opened and read on the date set for receiving the bids in the  
9 presence of the mayor or his duly authorized representative.

10 (iii) The mayor or his duly authorized representative  
11 shall have exclusive power to award the bid to the lowest responsible bidder,  
12 but may reject any and all bids received.

13 (B) The governing body, by ordinance, may waive the requirements  
14 of competitive bidding in exceptional situations where this procedure is  
15 deemed not feasible or practical.

16 /s/ Biggs, et al.

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