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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HOUSE BILL 1286

## For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT PURCHASING PROCEDURES LAW TO INCREASE THE MINIMUM AMOUNT FOR COMPETITIVE BIDDING TO FIFTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$15,000); AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

## Subtitle

TO AMEND THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT
PURCHASING PROCEDURES LAW TO INCREASE
THE MINIMUM AMOUNT FOR COMPETITIVE
BIDDING .

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 14-22-102 is amended to read as follows:
14-22-102. Applicability.
(a) It is unlawful for any county official to make any purchases with county funds in excess of ten thousand dollars ( $\$ 10,000$ ) fifteen thousand dollars $(\$ 15,000)$ unless the method of purchasing prescribed in this chapter is followed.
(b) This chapter shall not apply to any purchases under ten thousand dollars $(\$ 10,000)$ fifteen thousand dollars $(\$ 15,000)$ or to the purchase of commodities set forth in § 14-22-106.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 14-22-104 is amended to read as follows:
14-22-104. Purchases permitted.
All purchases of commodities made by any county purchasing official with county funds, except those specifically exempted by this chapter, shall
be made as follows:
(1) Formal bidding shall be required in each instance in which the estimated purchase price shall equal or exceed ten thousand dollars $(\$ 10,000)$ fifteen thousand dollars $(\$ 15,000) ;$
(2) Open market purchases may be made of any commodities where the purchase price is less than ten thousand dollars $(\$ 10,000)$ fifteen thousand dollars $(\$ 15,000)$; and
(3) No purchasing official shall parcel or split any items of commodities or estimates with the intent or purpose to change the classification or to enable the purchase to be made under a less restrictive procedure.

