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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8 9	AN ACT TO AMEND THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT PURCHASING	
9 10	PROCEDURES LAW TO INCREASE THE MINIMUM AMOUNT FOR	
10	COMPETITIVE BIDDING TO FIFTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS	
11	(\$15,000); AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.	
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15	TO AMEND THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT	
16	PURCHASING PROCEDURES LAW TO INCREASE	
17	THE MINIMUM AMOUNT FOR COMPETITIVE	
18	BIDDING.	
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21		ATE OF ARKANSAS:
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23	SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 14-22-102 is a	amended to read as follows:
24	14-22-102. Applicability.	
25	(a) It is unlawful for any county officia	al to make any purchases with
26	county funds in excess of ten thousand dollars	(\$10,000) <u>fifteen thousand</u>
27	dollars (\$15,000) unless the method of purchasing prescribed in this chapter	
28	is followed.	
29	(b) This chapter shall not apply to any p	purchases under ten thousand
30	dollars (\$10,000) <u>fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000)</u> or to the purchase of	
31	commodities set forth in § 14-22-106.	
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33	SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 14-22-104 is a	amended to read as follows:
34	14-22-104. Purchases permitted.	
35	All purchases of commodities made by any county purchasing official	
36	with county funds, except those specifically exempted by this chapter, shall	



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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.