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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1220

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## For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO CLARIFY HOW A MUNICIPALITY MAY ACCEPT  
9 COMPETITIVE BIDS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

11 AN ACT TO CLARIFY HOW A MUNICIPALITY MAY  
12 ACCEPT COMPETITIVE BIDS.  
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17 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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19 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 14-47-138(a), concerning competitive  
20 bidding in a city manager form of government, is amended to read as follows:

21 (a)(1) Before making ~~any~~ a purchase of or contract for ~~any~~ supplies,  
22 materials, or equipment, and before obligating the city under ~~any~~ a contract  
23 for the performance of services or for the construction of municipal  
24 improvements, ~~where~~ in which the anticipated cost to the city of the  
25 transaction exceeds the maximum amount established by the board of directors  
26 under the authority of § 14-47-120, opportunity for competitive bidding shall  
27 be given under such rules and regulations as the board may prescribe by  
28 ordinance, and the contract shall be consummated only on a bid approved by  
29 the city manager and by the board.

30 (2) Competitive bids may be accepted in the form of a written  
31 bid or by electronic media.  
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33 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 14-58-303(b)(2), concerning purchases and  
34 contracts, is amended to add an additional subdivision to read as follows:

35 (C) Cities of the first class, cities of the second class,  
36 and incorporated towns may accept competitive bids in the following forms:



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- (i) Written; or
- (ii) Electronic media.