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A BILL FOR

An Act to provide for a uniform system of purchasing supplies,
material and service for certain counties of the state
of Iowa.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

1 Section 1. All contracts for supplies, material and
2 service for each county in this state now having or which may
3 hereafter have a population of forty thousand (40,000) or more
4 as determined by the latest official census, shall be let as
5 herein provided. All contracts for supplies, material and
6 service for a county shall be approved by the Board of Supervisors
7 at an official meeting of such board. The chairman of the board
8 shall sign all written contracts approved by such board.

1 Sec. 2. Each officer, agent or employee of a county in
2 charge of any office, department or institution, shall furnish
3 and file in duplicate in the County Auditor's office on or before
4 January 15th of each year, a sworn detailed statement of the
5 supplies, material, service or work needed for such office,
6 department or institution for the following twelve (12) month
7 period. A copy of such statement shall be presented to the
8 Board of Supervisors at the next official meeting of the board.

1 Sec. 3. The Board of Supervisors shall, upon receipt of
2 the statements of the county officers, agents and employees,
3 advertise for bids for the furnishing of such supplies, material,
4 service or work. Such advertisement shall be published in all
5 the official newspapers of the county once each week for two (2)
6 consecutive weeks, the last of which publication shall not be less
7 than one (1) week from the date such bids are to be opened and
8 examined by the Board of Supervisors.

9 When it becomes necessary to purchase additional supplies,
10 material, service or work during such twelve (12) month period,
11 the Board of Supervisors shall advertise for bids for the same
12 in the same manner as was advertised for bids for the full twelve
13 (12) month period. Notice of such bidding shall also be posted
14 in the office of the Board of Supervisors in a place for public
15 inspection.

1 Sec. 4. All bids shall be sealed and delivered to the
2 office of the Board of Supervisors at a time not later than that
3 designated in the notice for bids and said board may require such
4 bidders to furnish with such bids a certified check or bond in an
5 amount not to exceed five percent (5%) of the amount of such bid.

1 Sec. 5. The Board of Supervisors shall at the time
2 designated in the notice to receive bids, meet in an official
3 meeting of such board and cause such sealed bids to be opened.
4 Thereafter said board shall not accept any bids for a period of
5 one (1) week after the opening of such bids and then do so at an
6 official meeting and accept the lowest bid of a responsible bidder,

7 taking into consideration the character and quality of the goods
8 to be furnished or service rendered and the facilities of the
9 bidder to furnish the same. The Board of Supervisors may reject
10 any and all bids and again re-advertise for bids.

1 Sec. 6. Supplies, material, service or work, the possible
2 cost of which shall not exceed fifty dollars (\$50.00), may be
3 purchased by the Board of Supervisors upon a written order
4 signed by at least a majority of the members thereof.

1 Sec. 7. All purchases of materials, supplies or services,
2 the necessity for which is of a strictly emergency nature, may
3 be purchased by the Board of Supervisors without advertising for
4 bids, but such purchase shall be approved at an official board
5 meeting or upon approval of the majority of the members of such
6 board.

1 Sec. 8. No officer, agent or employee of a county shall
2 purchase, agree or contract to purchase, or attempt to obligate
3 the county, to receive or pay for any supplies, materials,
4 service or work in any other manner than as herein provided, and
5 any purchase, contract or agreement in violation of the terms
6 and provisions hereof shall be void.