

HOUSE BILL 928

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By: **Washington County Delegation**

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Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Washington County – Procurement – Vehicles**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing the County Commissioners of Washington County to enter
4 into a certain contract for the purchase of one or more vehicles without advertising
5 for bids if the amount involved in the contract does not exceed a certain amount; and
6 generally relating to procurement in Washington County.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
8 The Public Local Laws of Washington County
9 Section 1–106(a)
10 Article 22 – Public Local Laws of Maryland
11 (2019 Edition)

12 BY adding to
13 The Public Local Laws of Washington County
14 Section 1–106(f)
15 Article 22 – Public Local Laws of Maryland
16 (2019 Edition)

17 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
18 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

19 **Article 22 – Washington County**

20 1–106.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



1 (a) (1) Except as provided in this subtitle the County Commissioners or any
 2 employee of the county may not enter into any contract of sale or purchase or any contract
 3 for any county work, project, or other expenditure to which the county is a party where the
 4 amount involved in the contract exceeds \$50,000 without advertising for bids at least 1
 5 week before the bid by publication in at least one newspaper that is published in the county
 6 or through electronic media.

7 (2) Notwithstanding paragraph 1 of this subsection and regardless of
 8 whether the total cumulative procurement exceeds \$50,000, if a contract is for an
 9 indeterminate amount of goods or services procured on an as-needed basis over a period of
 10 time, the County Commissioners or an employee of the County may, without advertising
 11 for bids, enter into a contract of purchase or a contract for a county work project or other
 12 expenditure to which the county is a party.

13 **(F) NOTWITHSTANDING SUBSECTION (A)(1) OF THIS SECTION, THE COUNTY**
 14 **COMMISSIONERS OR AN EMPLOYEE OF THE COUNTY MAY ENTER INTO A CONTRACT**
 15 **FOR THE PURCHASE OF ONE OR MORE VEHICLES WITHOUT ADVERTISING FOR BIDS**
 16 **IF THE AMOUNT INVOLVED IN THE CONTRACT DOES NOT EXCEED \$100,000.**

17 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
 18 October 1, 2024.

Approved:

Governor.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.

President of the Senate.