

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2005**

**SESSION LAW 2005-213
SENATE BILL 879**

AN ACT TO ALLOW FOR A BIDDING PREFERENCE ON STATE CONTRACTS
FOR RESIDENT BIDDERS IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES AND TO
PROVIDE FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF A RESIDENT BIDDER LIST.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. Section 3 of S.L. 2001-240 reads as rewritten:

"SECTION 3. This act becomes effective January 1, 2002, ~~and expires December 31, 2007.~~2002."

SECTION 2. G.S. 143-49 is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:

"(9) To establish and maintain a list of resident bidders, as defined in G.S. 143-59(c), who have expressed an interest in bidding on contracts for specific goods or services enumerated by the bidder."

SECTION 3. G.S. 143-59 is amended by adding a subsection to read:

"(f) Resident Bidder Notification. – When the Secretary puts a contract up for competitive bidding, the Secretary shall endeavor to provide notice to all resident bidders who have expressed an interest in bidding on contracts of that nature. The Secretary may opt to provide notice under this section by electronic means only."

SECTION 4. This act becomes effective January 1, 2006.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 11th day of July, 2005.

s/ Marc Basnight
President Pro Tempore of the Senate

s/ James B. Black
Speaker of the House of Representatives

s/ Michael F. Easley
Governor

Approved 2:00 p.m. this 20th day of July, 2005