

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
SESSION 2007**

**HOUSE BILL 443  
RATIFIED BILL**

**AN ACT AUTHORIZING CHEROKEE COUNTY TO USE THE DESIGN-BUILD  
METHOD OF CONSTRUCTION FOR A JUSTICE CENTER.**

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** Notwithstanding G.S. 143-128, 143-129, 143-131, 143-132, 143-64.31, and 143-64.32, Cherokee County may use the design-build method of construction for a Justice Center to be located in Murphy, North Carolina. The County shall seek to prequalify and solicit at least two design-build teams to bid on the project and shall receive at least two sealed proposals from those teams for this project. The County shall interview at least two of the design-build teams that submit proposals. The County shall award the contract to the best qualified team, taking into consideration in its selection the time of completion of the project, compliance with the provisions of G.S. 143-128.2, and the cost of the project.

**SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 17<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2007.

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Beverly E. Perdue  
President of the Senate

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Joe Hackney  
Speaker of the House of Representatives