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SENATE DRS85174-LM-97 (02/27)

Short Title: County-Owned Public Hospitals/Contracts. (Public)

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Sponsors: Senator Boseman.

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Referred to:

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT EXEMPTING COUNTY-OWNED HOSPITALS FROM MOST  
STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS GOVERNING PUBLIC CONTRACTS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** Article 8 of Chapter 143 of the General Statutes is amended by adding the following new section to read:

**§ 143-133.1. Certain county-owned hospitals exempt from competitive bidding requirements.**

No provision with respect to the acquisition, operation, or disposition of property by other public bodies shall be applicable to a county-owned hospital with 700 or more licensed beds unless otherwise specified by the General Assembly, except that county-owned hospitals under this section shall do all of the following:

- (1) Comply with the minority business participation requirements set forth in Article 8 of Chapter 143 of the General Statutes.
- (2) Comply with the certificate of need requirements set forth in Article 9 of Chapter 131E of the General Statutes.
- (3) Conduct an annual independent audit of all contracts for construction or repair work that would otherwise be subject to the competitive bidding requirements provided in G.S. 143-129."

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