

## No. 1978-302

## AN ACT

## HB 1936

Amending the act of July 28, 1953 (P.L.723, No.230), entitled, as amended, "An act relating to counties of the second class and second class A; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the laws relating thereto," further regulating contracts and purchases.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. Subsection (a) and the first paragraph of subsection (d) of section 2001, act of July 28, 1953 (P.L.723, No.230), known as the "Second Class County Code," amended November 23, 1976 (P.L.1148, No.249), are amended and a subsection is added to read:

Section 2001. County Commissioners to Make Contracts.—The County Commissioners may make contracts for lawful purposes and for the purposes of carrying into execution the provisions of this section and the laws of the Commonwealth.

(a) All contracts or purchases in excess of **[two thousand dollars (\$2,000)] two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500)** shall be in writing and, except those hereinafter mentioned, shall not be made except with and from the lowest responsible bidder meeting specifications, after due notice in at least one newspaper of general circulation, published or circulating in the county at least three (3) times, at intervals of not less than three (3) days where daily newspapers of general circulation are employed for such publication, or in case weekly newspapers are employed, then the notice shall be published once a week for two (2) successive weeks. The first advertisement shall be published not less than ten (10) days prior to the date fixed for the opening of bids.

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(d) The contracts or purchases made by the commissioners involving an expenditure of over **[two thousand dollars (\$2,000)] two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500)** which shall not require advertising or bidding as hereinbefore provided are as follows:

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*(e) Every contract for the construction, reconstruction, alteration, repair, improvement or maintenance of public works shall comply with the provisions of the act of March 3, 1978 (No.3), known as the "Steel Products Procurement Act."*

Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.

APPROVED—The 26th day of November, A. D. 1978.

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