

THE ADMINISTRATION MAY WAIVE THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION REQUIRING COMPETITIVE BIDS IF:

(1) THE PURCHASE IS TO BE MADE FROM OR THE CONTRACT IS TO BE MADE WITH THE FEDERAL OR ANY STATE GOVERNMENT OR ANY OF THEIR AGENCIES OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS OR UNDER ANY OPEN-END BULK PURCHASE CONTRACT OF ANY OF THEM;

(2) THE PUBLIC EXIGENCY REQUIRES THE IMMEDIATE DELIVERY OF THE ARTICLES;

(3) ONLY ONE SOURCE OF SUPPLY IS AVAILABLE;  
OR

(4) IN ITS JUDGMENT, IT IS TO THE BENEFIT OF THE ADMINISTRATION TO USE THE SERVICES OF STATE PURCHASING OFFICES.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section presently appears as Art. 1A, §§ 5-504(b) and (c).

Subsection (a) of this section is new language added for clarity and consistency with the basically similar provisions governing transit facilities; see, §7-403(a) of this article.

Subsection (c) (1) of this section is added to indicate clearly that the provisions of subsection (c) are limited to the contracts described in subsection (b) (1) (ii) of this section.

In subsection (d) of this section, the words "contracting with" are added since this subsection might well apply to a construction contract of \$10,000 or less and, therefore, is not limited to purchases only.

The only other changes are in style.

See, also, Order No. 6 of the Joint Standing Committee on Administrative, Executive and Legislative Review, September 26, 1975, which requires publication in the Maryland Register of "{n}otices of State construction projects for which bids were requested" and "{a}wards of State construction projects". (Vol. 2, Maryland Register, page 1304.)

As to contracts for architectural and engineering services, see, also, Title 2, Subtitle 3 of this article.

#### 5-215. TECHNICAL SERVICES OF ADMINISTRATION.

THE ADMINISTRATION MAY MAKE AVAILABLE ITS ENGINEERING AND OTHER TECHNICAL SERVICES, WITH OR WITHOUT