CHAPTER 297

(Senate Bill 86)

AN ACT concerning

State Procurement - Auction Bids

FOR the purpose of authorizing an auction bid as a method for the procurement of supplies, with a certain minimum estimated contract value, by certain State procurement units under certain circumstances; requiring a procurement officer to seek bids by issuing an invitation for auction bids under certain circumstances; establishing procedures for conducting procurements and awarding procurement contracts by the use of an invitation for auction bids or revised auction bids, under certain circumstances; requiring certain notice of certain awards; and generally relating to auction bids for the procurement of supplies by State procurement units.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - State Finance and Procurement

Section 13-102(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2001 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to

Article - State Finance and Procurement

Section 13-111

Annotated Code of Maryland

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SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - State Finance and Procurement

13-102.

- (a) Except as provided in Subtitle 3 and Subtitle 4 of this title, all procurement by units shall be by competitive sealed bids unless one of the following methods specifically is authorized:
- (1) competitive sealed proposals under $\ 13-104$ or $\ 13-105$ of this subtitle;
 - (2) noncompetitive negotiation under § 13-106 of this subtitle;
 - (3) sole source procurement under § 13-107 of this subtitle;
 - (4) emergency or expedited procurement under § 13-108 of this subtitle;
 - (5) small procurement under § 13-109 of this subtitle; [or]