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

Article 25 – County Commissioners

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(1) (1) (i) To provide for competitive bidding for any county work and the making and awarding of contracts for the purchase of materials and supplies in excess of \$15,000 and to require bonds in connection with the work or contracts, regardless of the amount, whenever the county commissioners consider it proper to require a bond; and if no bids are submitted in response to any request for bids, to place the order in a manner that the county commissioners consider appropriate.

(ii) In Frederick County, to provide for competitive bidding for any county work and the making and awarding of contracts for the purchase of materials and supplies in excess of \$30,000 and to require bonds in connection with the work or contracts, regardless of the amount, whenever the County Commissioners consider it proper to require a bond; and if no bids are submitted in response to any request for bids, to place the order in a manner that the County Commissioners consider appropriate.

(3) (I) The provisions of paragraph (1)(ii) of this subsection are not applicable in Frederick County with regard solely to contracting for the services of an architectural, engineering, or consultant firm for design or consultation purposes.

(II) In Frederick County, contracts for architectural and engineering services costing more than \$30,000, [shall] MAY be awarded on:

1. [a] A competitive basis which shall consist of either sealed competitive bids or competitive negotiation[. "Competitive negotiation" means a process] that includes the submission of written technical and price proposals from