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SENATE BILL 871

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

Sponsors: Senator Boseman.

Referred to: Judiciary I (Civil).

March 19, 2007

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT EXEMPTING COUNTY-OWNED HOSPITALS FROM MOST
3 STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS GOVERNING PUBLIC CONTRACTS.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

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

7 "§ 143-133.1. Certain county-owned hospitals exempt from competitive bidding
8 requirements.

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

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

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