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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 5, Chapter 1, Part 2; Section 5-14-108; Title 5, Chapter 14, Part 2; Section 5-8-504; Section 6-56-306; Title 7, Chapter 3; Title 8, Chapter 15, Part 1; Section 8-4-112; Section 49-2-203; Section 54-7-112 and Section 54-7-113, relative to municipal, state and county government.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 5-14-108(c)(1), is amended by deleting the language "two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500)" and substituting instead the language "five thousand dollars (\$5,000)".

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 5-14-202, is amended by deleting the language "two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500)" in subsection (4) and substituting instead the language "five thousand dollars (\$5,000)".

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 5-14-202 is further amended, by adding the following language:

(8) Made by a county with a population of not less than two hundred thousand (200,000) according to any federal census, so long as the county through county or metropolitan government charter, private act, or ordinance or establishes a procedure

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regarding purchasing that provides for advertisement and competitive bidding and sets a dollar amount for each purchase requiring advertisement and competitive bidding; and provided that purchases of less than the dollar amount requiring advertisement and competitive bidding shall, wherever possible, be based upon at least three (3) competitive bids.

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 5-14-204, is amended by deleting the language “two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500)” wherever it appears and by substituting instead the language “five thousand dollars (\$5,000)”.

SECTION 5. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 5-14-205, is amended by deleting the language “two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500)” and by substituting instead the language “five thousand dollars (\$5,000)”.

SECTION 6. is amended by deleting the language “two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500)” wherever it appears and by substituting instead the language “five thousand dollars (\$5,000)”.

SECTION 7. Further amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 54-7-113, by deleting the language “two thousand dollars (\$2,000)” in subsection (c)(3) and by substituting instead the language “five thousand dollars (\$5,000)”.

SECTION 8. Further amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 54-7-113, by adding the following language as a new subsection:

All purchases costing less than five thousand dollars (\$5,000) by or for a county road department or by a chief administrative officer may be made in the open market without newspaper notice, but shall, wherever possible, be based upon at least three (3) competitive bids.

SECTION 9. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-2-203(a), is amended by deleting the language “two thousand dollars (\$2,000)” wherever it appears and by substituting instead the language “five thousand dollars (\$5,000)”.

SECTION 10. is amended by adding the following language:

provided however, subdivisions (a)(4)(A) and (B) shall not apply to purchases by or for a county or metropolitan government's board of education, in counties with a population of not less than two hundred thousand (200,000) according to any federal census, so long as the county through county or metropolitan government charter, private act, or ordinance or establishes a procedure regarding purchasing that provides for advertisement and competitive bidding and sets a dollar amount for each purchase requiring advertisement and competitive bidding; and provided that purchases of less than the dollar amount requiring advertisement and competitive bidding shall, wherever possible, be based upon at least three (3) competitive bids.

SECTION 11. is amended by deleting the language "four thousand dollars (\$4,000)" and by substituting instead the language "five thousand dollars (\$5,000)".

SECTION 12. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-4-112, is amended by deleting the section in its entirety.

SECTION 13., is amended by deleting the section in its entirety.

SECTION 14. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-15-101, is amended by adding the following language:

Prior to any county authorizing the employment of such auditors or accountants, the county shall request and must obtain the approval of the comptroller of the treasury. The employment of such auditors or accountants shall be subject to the requirements of Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-3-304.

SECTION 15., is amended by deleting the section in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

The report of such auditor or accountant shall be furnished to the comptroller of the treasury and members of the county legislative body, and all citizens of the county shall have access to the report.

SECTION 16 is amended by deleting the words “the comptroller of the treasury and the commissioner of transportation” in the second sentence and by substituting instead the words “and the chief executive officer of the county”.

SECTION 17. Further amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 54-7-112(c), by deleting the language in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

The inventory filed by the chief administrative officer shall be maintained and made available to the comptroller of the treasury for audit purposes.

SECTION 18. This act shall take effect July 1, 1995, the public welfare requiring it.