



CHAPTER 143

ARTICLE 8 - PUBLIC CONTRACTS

N.C.G.S. § 143-131.

When counties, cities, towns and other subdivisions may let contracts on informal bids.

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General Statutes of North Carolina, as published by the General Assembly	S.L. 2022-74, s. 40.9(b) — thirteenth act in the lineage	21 September 2026, 04:14 UTC	79bf6abf2c7bb1067267663d - 1ef32e9c805b1ffcba79e429 - 15ea02b06b7e37c1

§ 143-131(a)

All contracts for construction or repair work or for the purchase of apparatus, supplies, materials, or equipment, involving the expenditure of public money in the amount of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) or more, but less than the limits prescribed in G.S. 143-129, made by any officer, department, board, local school administrative unit, or commission of any county, city, town, or other subdivision of this State shall be made after informal bids have been secured; provided, however, that The University of North Carolina and its constituent institutions shall be required to comply with the provisions of this subsection for all contracts for construction or repair work involving the expenditure of public money in the amount of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) or more, but less than the limits prescribed in G.S. 143-129. All such contracts shall be awarded to the lowest responsible, responsive bidder, taking into consideration quality, performance, and the time specified in the bids for the performance of the contract. It shall be the duty of any officer, department, board, local school administrative unit, or commission entering into such contract to keep a record of all bids submitted, and such record shall not be subject to public inspection until the contract has been awarded.

§ 143-131(b)

All public entities shall solicit minority participation in contracts for the erection, construction, alteration or repair of any building awarded pursuant to this section. The public entity shall maintain a record of contractors solicited and shall document efforts to recruit minority business participation in those contracts. Nothing in this

section shall be construed to require formal advertisement of bids. All data, including the type of project, total dollar value of the project, dollar value of minority business participation on each project, and documentation of efforts to recruit minority participation shall be reported to the Department of Administration, Office for Historically Underutilized Business, upon the completion of the project.

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APPARATUS I
13 ACTS

Amendment lineage

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Nº	YEAR	ACT	CHARACTER
01	1931	c. 338, s. 2	ENACTED
02	1957	c. 862, s. 5	AMENDED
03	1959	c. 406	AMENDED
04	1963	c. 172	AMENDED
05	1967	c. 860	AMENDED
06	1971	c. 593	AMENDED
07	1981	c. 719, s. 1	AMENDED
08	1981	1987 (Reg. Sess., 1988), c. 1108, s. 6	AMENDED
09	1997	S.L. 1997-174, s. 5	AMENDED
10	2001	S.L. 2001-496, s. 5.1	AMENDED
11	2005	S.L. 2005-227, s. 2	AMENDED
12	2017	S.L. 2017-81, s. 1	AMENDED
13	2022	S.L. 2022-74, s. 40.9(b)	AMENDED

APPARATUS II
1 AUTHORITY

Authorities referenced

Every G.S. cross-reference appearing in the text of this section, in order of first appearance. Nothing is characterized; the operative language is quoted from the section itself.

REFERENCE	APPEARS IN	OPERATIVE LANGUAGE IN THIS SECTION
G.S. 143-129	(a)	"less than the limits prescribed in"

APPARATUS III

Citation

FULL SECTION

N.C. Gen. Stat. § 143-131 (2022).

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