



# HOUSE BILL 58: Alamance County Sheriff/Food Purch

**This Bill Analysis  
reflects the contents  
of the bill as it was  
presented in  
committee.**

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**Committee:** House Local Government  
**Introduced by:** Reps. Riddell, Ross  
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**SUMMARY:** *House Bill 58 would exempt all purchases of food and supplies from the formal and informal bidding requirements of G.S. 143-129 and G.S. 143-313 by the Alamance County Sheriff for the detention facility.*

**CURRENT LAW:** Article 8 of Chapter 143 sets out the current general law for public building contracts. That Article generally requires separate or single-prime bidding.

The sections of Article 8 for construction or renovations of buildings that require or imply the separate or single-prime bidding process are:

- G.S. 143-128, regarding separate specifications for HVAC, Plumbing, Electrical, and general contract work under separate prime or single-prime bidding.
- G.S. 143-129, regarding formal bidding for public construction over \$500, 000 and goods over \$90,000.
- G.S. 143-131, regarding informal bidding procedures
- G.S. 143-132, concerning the minimum number of bids for a public construction contract.

A public school is not required to comply with the requirement to purchase all supplies under Article 8 of Chapter 143 when purchasing supplies and food for such school food services. G.S. 115C-264(c)

**BILL ANALYSIS:** The bill exempts the County of Alamance Sheriff from complying with G.S. 143-129 and G.S. 143-131 when the Sheriff is purchasing food and supplies for the detention facility.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** Effective when it becomes law.

