

HOUSE BILL 1105: Coronavirus Relief Act 3.0, Sec. 1.7: Purchasing Supplies and Materials During COVID-19 Pandemic

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OVERVIEW: Section 1.7 of S.L. 2020-97 allows State departments, institutions, and agencies subject to Article 3 of Chapter 143 to obtain supplies, material, equipment, printing, or services to address the COVID-19 pandemic, including purchases that exceed the benchmark established under G.S. 143-53-1, without the authorization or approval of the Secretary of Administration. A report on COVID-19 expenditures must be made a matter of record promptly after the expenditures have been made. If the expenditure exceeds the benchmark established under G.S. 143-53.1, the report must be made promptly to the Division of Purchase and Contract.

This section applies to contracts entered into on or after September 4, 2020 and expires December 30, 2020.

(Also see summary of Section 13.1 of S.L. 2020-78 pertaining to amendments of the benchmark referenced in Section 1.7 of S.L. 2020-97.)

