

H. B. No. 497  
As Introduced

\_\_\_\_\_ moved to amend as follows:

In line 2 of the title, after "307.12" insert ", 307.87, 307.88" 1

In line 10, after "307.12" insert ", 307.87, 307.88" 2

After line 435, insert: 3

"Sec. 307.87. Where competitive bidding is required by 4  
section 307.86 of the Revised Code, notice thereof shall be 5  
given in the following manner: 6

(A) Notice shall be published once a week for not less 7  
than two consecutive weeks preceding the day of the opening of 8  
bids in a newspaper of general circulation within the county for 9  
any purchase, lease, lease with option or agreement to purchase, 10  
or construction contract in excess of ~~fifty thousand dollars~~the 11  
amount specified in section 9.17 of the Revised Code. The 12  
contracting authority may also cause notice to be inserted in 13  
trade papers or other publications designated by it or to be 14  
distributed by electronic means, including posting the notice on 15  
the contracting authority's internet site on the world wide web. 16  
If the contracting authority posts the notice on that location 17



on the world wide web, it may eliminate the second notice 18  
otherwise required to be published in a newspaper of general 19  
circulation within the county, provided that the first notice 20  
published in such a newspaper meets all of the following 21  
requirements: 22

(1) It is published at least two weeks before the opening 23  
of bids. 24

(2) It includes a statement that the notice is posted on 25  
the contracting authority's internet site on the world wide web. 26

(3) It includes the internet address of the contracting 27  
authority's internet site on the world wide web. 28

(4) It includes instructions describing how the notice may 29  
be accessed on the contracting authority's internet site on the 30  
world wide web. 31

(B) Notices shall state all of the following: 32

(1) A general description of the subject of the proposed 33  
contract and the time and place where the plans and 34  
specifications or itemized list of supplies, facilities, or 35  
equipment and estimated quantities can be obtained or examined; 36

(2) The time and place where bids will be opened; 37

(3) The time and place for filing bids; 38

(4) The terms of the proposed purchase; 39

(5) Conditions under which bids will be received. 40

(C) The contracting authority shall also maintain in a 41  
public place in its office or other suitable public place a 42  
bulletin board upon which it shall post and maintain a copy of 43  
such notice for at least two weeks preceding the day of the 44

opening of the bids. 45

**Sec. 307.88.** (A) Bids submitted pursuant to sections 46  
307.86 to 307.92 of the Revised Code shall be in a form 47  
prescribed by the contracting authority and filed in the manner 48  
and at the time and place mentioned in the notice. The bids 49  
received shall be opened and tabulated at the time stated in the 50  
notice. Each bid shall contain the full name of each person 51  
submitting the bid. If the bid is in excess of ~~fifty thousand~~ 52  
~~dollars~~ the amount specified in section 9.17 of the Revised Code 53  
and for a contract for the construction, demolition, alteration, 54  
repair, or reconstruction of an improvement, it shall meet the 55  
requirements of section 153.54 of the Revised Code. If the bid 56  
is in excess of ~~fifty thousand dollars~~ the amount specified in 57  
section 9.17 of the Revised Code and for any other contract 58  
authorized by sections 307.86 to 307.92 of the Revised Code, it 59  
may be accompanied by a bond or certified check, cashier's 60  
check, or money order on a solvent bank or savings and loan 61  
association in a reasonable amount stated in the notice but not 62  
to exceed five per cent of the bid, conditioned that the bidder, 63  
if the bidder's bid is accepted, shall execute a contract in 64  
conformity to the invitation and the bid. 65

(B) The board of county commissioners, by a unanimous vote 66  
of the entire board, may permit a contracting authority to 67  
exempt a bid from any or all of the requirements of section 68  
153.54 of the Revised Code if the estimated cost is one hundred 69  
thousand dollars or less. If the board exempts a bid from any 70  
but not all of those requirements, the bid notice published in 71  
the newspaper pursuant to section 307.87 of the Revised Code 72  
shall state the specific bid guaranty requirements that apply. 73  
If the board exempts a bid from all requirements of section 74  
153.54 of the Revised Code, the notice shall state that none of 75

the requirements of that section apply." 76

In line 946, after "307.12" insert ", 307.87, 307.88" 77

The motion was \_\_\_\_\_ agreed to.

SYNOPSIS 78

**County threshold amounts** 79

**R.C. 307.87 and 307.88** 80

Increases threshold amounts, from \$50,000 to \$75,000, 81  
related to the county notice requirement for purchases, leases, 82  
and construction contracts, and related to guaranty and bonding 83  
requirements for county contracts. 84