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A BILL

То	amend section 307.04 of the Revised Code to	1
	exempt county utility supply contracts entered	2
	into under a joint purchasing program from the	3
	10-year maximum period for such contracts and to	4
	declare an emergency.	5

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

Section 1. That section 307.04 of the Revised Code be	6
amended to read as follows:	7
Sec. 307.04. The board of county commissioners may, at any	8
time before or after the completion of any county building,	9
award contracts for supplying such building with light, heat, or	10
power for any period of time not exceeding ten years, except a	11
contract entered into under section 9.48 of the Revised Code may	12
exceed ten years. Sections 5705.41 and 5705.44 of the Revised	13
Code shall not apply to any such contracts.	14
Section 2. That existing section 307.04 of the Revised	15
Code is hereby repealed.	16

Section 3. This act is hereby declared to be an emergency 17 measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public 18 peace, health, and safety. The reason for such necessity is the 19 10-year contract restriction in statute prevents counties from 20 obtaining more favorable energy prices on these contracts; the 21 window for action is quickly closing on opportunities, and delay 22 could put counties at a competitive disadvantage. Therefore, 23 this act shall go into immediate effect. 24