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**By: Cecil County Delegation**

Introduced and read first time: January 31, 1997

Assigned to: Commerce and Government Matters

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Cecil County - Noncompetitively Bid Contracts - Award Limitation**

3 FOR the purpose of increasing the maximum value of contracts that may be awarded  
4 within a certain period of time in Cecil County to a contractor for contracts that are  
5 not competitively bid; and generally relating to contract awards in Cecil County.

6 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
7 Article 25 - County Commissioners  
8 Section 37A(c)  
9 Annotated Code of Maryland  
10 (1996 Replacement Volume)

11 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
12 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

13 **Article 25 - County Commissioners**

14 37A.

15 (c) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, in Cecil County a particular  
16 contractor may not be awarded, during any 2-month period, more than a total of  
17 [\$10,000] \$20,000 worth of contracts which are not competitively bid.

18 (2) The limitation established by this subsection does not apply to  
19 emergency contracts. However, before the awarding of an emergency contract, a majority  
20 of the County Commissioners shall have affirmed the existence of an emergency. The vote  
21 of the Commissioners in declaring the emergency shall be recorded in the minutes of the  
22 next public meeting of the Commissioners.

23 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
24 July 1, 1997.