# HOUSE BILL 837

#### By: Washington County Delegation Introduced and read first time: February 9, 2010 Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

# A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

## 2 Washington County – Procurement of Professional or Technical Services

- FOR the purpose of exempting certain procurement expenditures for professional or
  technical services for Washington County from the requirements for
  procurement expenditures over \$50,000; repealing language made obsolete by
  this Act; and generally relating to procurement expenditures for professional or
  technical services in Washington County.
- 8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 9 The Public Local Laws of Washington County
- 10 Section 1–106(b)(2)
- 11 Article 22 The Public Local Laws of Maryland
- 12 (2007 Edition and January 2009 Supplement, as amended)
- 13 BY adding to
- 14 The Public Local Laws of Washington County
- 15 Section 1–106.5
- 16 Article 22 The Public Local Laws of Maryland
- 17 (2007 Edition and January 2009 Supplement, as amended)
- 18 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF 19 MARYLAND That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
- 19 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
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## Article 22 – Washington County

21 1–106.

22 (b) (2) A contract of purchase or other expenditure shall be awarded to 23 the lowest responsible bidder who submits a responsive [bid, unless:

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW. [Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



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1 (i) The contract of purchase or other expenditure is for the 2 procurement of professional or technical services, including architectural, design 3 engineering, legal, medical, technological, or technical services; and

4 (ii) The County Commissioners have authorized the award of 5 the contract on the basis of the qualifications, resources, and experience of the bidder, 6 regardless of whether the bidder is the lowest bidder] **BID**.

#### 7 **1–106.5.**

8 THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MAY AWARD A CONTRACT OF PURCHASE 9 OR OTHER EXPENDITURE FOR THE PROCUREMENT OF PROFESSIONAL OR 10 TECHNICAL SERVICES, INCLUDING ARCHITECTURAL, DESIGN ENGINEERING, 11 LEGAL, MEDICAL, TECHNOLOGICAL, OR TECHNICAL SERVICES, ON THE BASIS OF 12 THE QUALIFICATIONS, RESOURCES, AND EXPERIENCE OF THE SERVICE 13 PROVIDER AND IS NOT SUBJECT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF § 1–106 OF THIS 14 SUBTITLE.

15 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect16 October 1, 2010.

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