

Kankakee County

ARTICLE V. FINANCE*

***State law references:** County finance generally, 55 ILCS 5/6-1001 et seq.

DIVISION 1. GENERALLY
Secs. 2-301--2-318. Reserved.

DIVISION 2. COMPETITIVE BIDDING PROCEDURE*

***State law references:** Competitive bids, 55 ILCS 5/5-1022.

Sec. 2-319. Competitive bids to be obtained on purchases in excess of \$20,000.00.

Any purchase of services, materials, equipment or supplies in excess of \$20,000.00, other than professional services, shall be contracted for in one of the following ways:

- (1) *By advertising.* By contract let to the lowest **responsible** bidder after advertising for bids in a newspaper published within the county, or if no newspaper is published within the county, then a newspaper having general circulation within the county; or
- (2) *Under emergency conditions.* By a contract let without advertising for bids in the case of an emergency is authorized by the county board.

(Code 1981, § 2-114; Res. of 7-12-1988, § 3; Res. No. 2004-03-09-060, 3-9-2004)

Sec. 2-320. Definition of lowest responsible bidder.

In determining the lowest responsible bidder, the county board shall take into consideration the qualities of the articles supplied; their conformity with the specifications; their suitability to the requirements of the county; availability of support services; uniqueness of the service, materials, equipment or supplies as it applies to networked, integrated computer systems; compatibility to existing equipment; and the delivery terms. The county board may also take into consideration whether a bidder is a private enterprise or a state-controlled enterprise and, notwithstanding any other provision in 55 ILCS 5/5-1022 or a low bid by a state-controlled enterprise, may let a contract to the lowest responsible bidder that is a private enterprise.

(Code 1981, § 2-115; Res. of 7-12-1988, § 4; Res. No. 2004-03-09-060, 3-9-2004)