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29 MRSA § 2020, as repealed and replaced by PL 1975, c. 224, is amended to read:

§ 2020. Exception

School buses which are operated by a motor carrier holding a certificate of public convenience from the Public Utilities Commission, while transporting school children, shall comply with all of the requirements of school buses, except that they shall be exempted from the vehicle color requirements. School buses which are operated by a transit district, **as defined in Title 30, section 4977**, shall be exempted from the **school bus marking**, emergency door, lateral seating and color requirements of this subchapter, **except that the school buses shall continue to use signal lamps as required by section 2012, subsection 1, paragraph D.**

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.

Effective February 9, 1979

CHAPTER 3

H. P. 56 — L. D. 65

AN ACT to Increase the Limitation on Contracts which the County Commissioners may Enter into for Purchases and Constructions without Competitive Bidding.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Sec. 1. 5 MRSA § 1816, sub-§ 2, ¶ A, as last amended by PL 1973, c. 731, is further amended to read:

A. The procurement of services, supplies, materials and equipment required involves the expenditure of less than \$250 **or less than \$500 for purchases by county commissioners pursuant to Title 30, section 304** and the interests of the State would best be served thereby;

Sec. 2. 30 MRSA § 304, first ¶, as enacted by PL 1969, c. 219, is amended to read:

Any contract for construction, renovation or improvement of county buildings or facilities involving a total cost of ~~\$2,000~~ **\$2,500** or more shall be awarded by a system of competitive bidding.

Sec. 3. 30 MRSA § 304, 2nd ¶, first sentence, as enacted by PL 1969, c. 219, is amended to read:

The county commissioners shall make all purchases over ~~\$250~~ **\$500** of services, supplies, materials and equipment needed by the county, or any department or agency thereof, by competitive bidding.

Effective September 14, 1979