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EXEMPTING CLASS A COUNTIES FROM THE STATE PROCUREMENT CODE

Amend NMSA 13-1-98 to exempt Class A counties with a population of more than five hundred thousand (500,000) from the Procurement Code.

This proposal would require the Class A county to either adopt a procurement code materially similar to that of a home-rule municipality in that county or develop a new procurement code that shall be submitted to the Local Government Division of the New Mexico Department of Finance and Administration for review and approval, then codified by county ordinance.

This proposal will better serve the unique needs of the Class A county and provide greater local flexibility while maintaining fair and competitive procurement processes.