

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2007**

**SESSION LAW 2008-40
SENATE BILL 1895**

**AN ACT AUTHORIZING JOHNSTON COUNTY TO RENOVATE THE
COURTHOUSE WITHOUT COMPLYING WITH SPECIFIED PROVISIONS OF
ARTICLE 8 OF CHAPTER 143 OF THE GENERAL STATUTES.**

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. The County of Johnston may contract for the design and construction for exterior renovations to the county courthouse and for interior work incidental thereto without being subject to the requirements of G.S. 143-128, 143-129, 143-131, 143-132, 143-64.31, and 143-64.32.

The authorization includes, if deemed appropriate by the County Board of Commissioners, the use of the single-prime contractor method of design and construction or a request for proposals and negotiation as an alternative design and construction method.

SECTION 2. The County of Johnston shall request proposals from and interview at least three design-build teams that have submitted proposals. If three proposals are not received and the project has been publicly advertised at least once in a newspaper of general circulation in the county and a minimum of 30 days has elapsed since the advertisement has appeared, then the County may proceed with the proposals received. The County shall award the contract to the best qualified contractor, taking into account the time of completion of the project, the capital and operation and maintenance cost of the project, the technical merits of the proposal including, but not limited to, reliability and protection of the environment, and any other factors and information set forth in the request for proposals that the County determines to have a material bearing on the ability to evaluate any proposal.

SECTION 3. This act is effective when it becomes law and applies only to the project described in Section 1 of this act.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 3rd day of July, 2008.

s/ Beverly E. Perdue
President of the Senate

s/ Joe Hackney
Speaker of the House of Representatives