

(C) (1) Any contract entered into in violation of the provisions of this section is void.

(2) However, the provisions of this section do not apply to:

(I) [any] ANY contract or other transaction involving the deposit of County funds in any authorized State or Federal Banking Institution and do not apply to necessary repairs made in case of emergency[.]; OR [This section does not apply to the]

(II) THE purchase of tangible personal property at a public auction. (1957 Code, sec. 189. 1937, ch. 486, 1941, ch. 885, sec. 162A; 1951, ch. 121. (See note (7)) 1976, ch. 111; 1977, ch. 146.)

8-24. Aid to manufactories.

(a) Authorized. [The Board of County Commissioners may, subject] SUBJECT to the qualifications [herein] set forth IN THIS SECTION, THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MAY NOT spend not more than [thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000)] \$35,000 annually for the following purposes:

(1) To aid and assist any factory in Washington County engaged in the production of goods essential to the defense of the State or nation; [or]

(2) To prevent any factory now located in Washington County from moving elsewhere because of inducements offered by any other State, county, or municipality; or

(3) To aid and assist any factory to become established in Washington County.

(b) Use of funds. All money spent [pursuant to] UNDER this section shall be spent only on property which is either owned in fee by the County, or leased by the County for a term of at least [fifteen (15)] 15 years.

(c) Annual levy. The [Board of] County Commissioners [is directed to] SHALL provide in each annual levy an amount equal to the sum to be spent in each year [pursuant to] UNDER this section. (1957 Code, sec. 190. 1941, ch. 885)

8-25. Commissioners as board of health; health officers.

(A) EACH MAY, OR AS SOON THEREAFTER AS PRACTICABLE, WHEN SITTING AS A BOARD OF HEALTH, [The] THE County Commissioners [of Washington County] shall[, when sitting as a local board of health, annually, in the month of May, or as soon thereafter as practicable,] appoint a health officer who shall be a well-educated physician, and who by virtue of such appointment