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H.B. 87\*  
134<sup>th</sup> General Assembly

## Bill Analysis

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**Version:** As Reported by Senate Local Government and Elections

**Primary Sponsors:** Reps. Stephens and John

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### SUMMARY

- Exempts county utility supply contracts entered into under a joint purchasing program from the ten-year maximum period for such contracts.
- Declares an emergency.

### DETAILED ANALYSIS

#### County utility supply contracts

The bill allows county commissioners to enter into certain utility supply contracts for a period of more than ten years. Currently, county commissioners are prohibited from entering into utility supply contracts for a county building with a duration of more than ten years. Under the bill, contracts entered into *under a joint purchasing program* are exempted from this requirement. A joint purchasing program enables local governments to jointly enter into contracts for the provision of goods or services, through another political subdivision's contract; through a joint purchasing program operated by a national or state association of political subdivisions, or through the federal government.<sup>1</sup>

The bill declares an emergency.

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\* This analysis was prepared before the report of the Senate Local Government and Elections Committee appeared in the Senate Journal. Note that the legislative history may be incomplete.

<sup>1</sup> R.C. 307.04; R.C. 9.48, not in the bill.

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## HISTORY

Action	Date
Introduced	02-09-21
Reported, H. State & Local Gov't	03-10-21
Passed House (98-0)	03-24-21
Reported, S. Local Gov't & Elections	---

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