

Chapter 104

(House Bill 914)

AN ACT concerning

Calvert County – Procurement – Award of Multiyear Contracts

FOR the purpose of altering the conditions for the award of certain multiyear contracts approved by resolution of the Commissioners of Calvert County; and generally relating to procurement in Calvert County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

The Public Local Laws of Calvert County

Section 6–103

Article 5 – Public Local Laws of Maryland

(2002 Edition and October 2021 Supplement, as amended, and Zoning Ordinances through August 2019)

(As enacted by Chapter 623 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2021)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article 5 – Calvert County

6–103.

(a) When it is advantageous to the county to do so, the county may contract to purchase supplies or services for periods of more than one year if:

(1) Funds for the total cost of the contract are available at the time the contract is executed; or

(2) Subject to Subsection (c) of this section, a contract requiring the payment of funds from appropriations of more than one fiscal year is approved by resolution of the Commissioners.

(b) Notwithstanding Subsection (a) of this section, the County may enter into a contract for solid waste disposal that:

(1) May include transportation;

(2) May require payment of funds from appropriations of the County or receipt of payment to the County; and

(3) Is not for more than a twenty-year initial term.

(c) A contract requiring the payment of funds from appropriations of more than one fiscal year, approved by resolution of the Commissioners, shall be awarded as [a one-year contract with the option to renew for]:

(1) [Not] **A ONE-YEAR CONTRACT WITH THE OPTION TO RENEW FOR NOT more than four one-year terms FOR A CONTRACT THAT IS NOT GOVERNED BY ITEM (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION;** or

(2) [Not more than 19 one-year terms] **A MULTIYEAR CONTRACT FOR A PERIOD NOT TO EXCEED 20 YEARS, INCLUDING THE INITIAL CONTRACT TERM AND ALL OPTIONS,** if the contract is for:

(i) Banking and investment services;

(ii) Retirement and pension system management;

(iii) Health insurance; or

(iv) [Software] **INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY, INCLUDING SOFTWARE AND THE PROVISION OF VOICE, DATA, AND INTERNET SERVICES.**

(d) Notwithstanding Subsection (a) of this section, the County may enter into a contract for a cellular tower lease, including a cellular tower lease on a water tower, if the initial term of the lease is not more than 20 years.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2022.

Approved by the Governor, April 12, 2022.