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Sponsors: Senators Shaw of Cumberland; Jordan and Lucas.

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1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO IMPLEMENT TECHNOLOGICAL IMPROVEMENTS IN THE WAY  
3 PURCHASING OPPORTUNITIES ARE ADVERTISED.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 Section 1. G.S. 143-345.8 reads as rewritten:

6 **"§ 143-345.8. North Carolina Purchase Directory.**

7 The Division of Purchase and Contract of the Department of Administration shall  
8 ~~publish a tabloid size, biweekly publication to be known as the "North Carolina Purchase~~  
9 ~~Directory" which shall contain~~ electronically advertise information on contract and purchase  
10 requirements from the Division of Purchase and Contract, the Office of State  
11 Construction, the Department of Transportation, and other agencies of State government  
12 which make direct purchases from private suppliers. ~~The Division shall mail four free issues~~  
13 ~~of this publication to all persons and businesses on the current bidders roster, to all Chambers of~~  
14 ~~Commerce in North Carolina, to all business associations in North Carolina and to all persons or~~  
15 ~~businesses on a list to be supplied by the Department of Commerce, within 30 days after the~~  
16 ~~effective date of this section; thereafter the Division shall make the publication available on a~~  
17 ~~subscription basis. Said subscription price shall not exceed forty dollars (\$40.00) per year and~~  
18 ~~shall be computed taking into consideration the cost of producing and mailing the publication.~~

19 The Division shall coordinate with the other departments of State government to ensure

1 that the ~~publication~~ electronic advertisement is meeting the goals of disseminating as  
2 widely as possible and in a timely manner information on those State contracts which are  
3 open for bids. A printed copy of any information that is electronically advertised shall be  
4 made available to any party upon request. The Secretary of the Department of  
5 Administration may adopt rules governing the routine and procedures to be followed in  
6 advertising information on contract and purchase opportunities, what contracts and  
7 purchases will be advertised, and under what conditions exceptions to the electronic  
8 advertisement may occur."

9           Section 2. This act constitutes a recent act of the General Assembly within the  
10 meaning of G.S. 150B-21.1. The Secretary of the Department of Administration may  
11 adopt temporary rules to implement the provisions of this act. Under rules to be adopted  
12 by the Secretary, the Division may advertise information regarding contract and purchase  
13 requirements in both print and electronic format for a period of 12 months following the  
14 effective date of this act.

15           Section 3. This act is effective when it becomes law.