## SENATE BILL 2289

By Faulk

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 12, Chapter 3, Part 10, relative to cooperative purchasing agreements and local government purchasing.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated 12-3-1008, is amended by deleting the section in its entirety and substituting the following language:

When purchasing supplies and equipment, any county, municipality, utility district, or other local government of the state is authorized to utilize pricing discounts obtained by the National Association of Counties Financial Services Center Cooperative Purchasing Alliance (NACo Purchasing Alliance), its successor organization, or any other competitive bid nationwide cooperative purchasing program, or other national or regional governmental cooperative purchasing program. ("Purchasing Program"). When any general law, charter or private act requires that a county, municipality, utility district, or other local government of the state purchase by competitive bidding, either formal or informal, the procuring government unit may consider the price under any contract or price agreement obtained under a Purchasing Program in the same manner as a formal bid or informal quotation obtained under such general law, charter or private act.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring

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