GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA 1989 SESSION

CHAPTER 82 HOUSE BILL 998

AN ACT TO PERMIT THE LEGISLATIVE SERVICES COMMISSION TO HAVE AN OPTIONAL SYSTEM FOR PURCHASING DATA PROCESSING AND DATA COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT, SUPPLIES, AND SERVICES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. Chapter 143 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

"<u>§ 143-129.3. Exemption of General Assembly from certain purchasing</u> requirements.

(a) The Legislative Services Commission may provide that the provisions of G.S. 143-129 and Article 3 of this Chapter do not apply to purchases by the General Assembly of data processing and data communications equipment, supplies, and services. Such exemption may vary according to the type or amount of purchase, and may vary as to whether the exemption is from some or all of those statutory provisions.

(b) <u>The Legislative Services Commission must give specific approval to any</u> purchase in excess of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) made under an exemption provided by subsection (a) of this section."

Sec. 2. This act is effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 1st day of May, 1989.