

# One Hundred Fifth Legislature - Second Session - 2018

## Introducer's Statement of Intent

### LB1098

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**Chairperson: Senator John Murante**

**Committee: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs**

**Date of Hearing: February 02, 2018**

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

The purchase thresholds associated with The County Purchasing Act (23-3101- 23-1115) have been in place since the last adjustment by the legislature in 2003. Since that time there have been significant changes in technology and the overall cost of all types of goods and services. In order to expedite procurement of goods and services, and provide open and fair competition, LB1098 changes "Triggering Dollar Amounts" to the following:

- Less than \$10,000- (Agency Purchase Authority) No bids required. Current amount is \$5,000
- \$10,000-\$50,000- Request for at least three informal bids. Current amount is \$5,000-\$20,000
- In excess of \$50,000- Must be competitively bid. Current amount is \$20,000
- Purchases cannot be divided into several smaller purchases to avoid competitive bidding.

**Principal Introducer:** \_\_\_\_\_

Senator Mike Hilgers