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Bill Analysis

SB 1316 authorizes county purchasing agents to deviate from other procurement methods provided by the law when the officer determines that an electronic or online bid is more advantageous. The measure requires an online bid to contain an opening and closing date and time, real-time updates of bids, generally agreed upon terms and conditions, prequalification for bidders, and the retention of authority by the county to determine the criteria that will be used as the basis for making awards. All online bids are subject to the same disclosure requirements as other procurement methods.

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