Procurement Exemptions

(as of 5-28-2025)

* Membership in professional, academic, research, or athletic organizations on behalf of a public institution of higher education, an employee of a public institution of higher education, or a student at a public institution of higher education. (30 ILCS 500 / 1-13(b)(1))
* Events or activities paid for exclusively by revenues generated by the event or activity, gifts, or donations for the event or activity, private grants, or any combination thereof. (30 ILCS 500 / 1-13(b)(2))
* Events or activities for which the use of specific potential contractors is mandated or identified by the sponsor of the event or activity, provided that the sponsor is providing a majority of the funding for the event or activity. (30 ILCS 500 / 1-13(b)(3))
* Athletic, artistic or musical services, performances, events, or productions by or for a public institution of higher education. (30 ILCS 500 / 1-13(b)(4))
* Periodicals, books, subscriptions, database licenses, and other publications procured for use by a university library or academic department, except for expenditures related to procuring textbooks for student use or materials for resale or rental. (30 ILCS 500 / 1-13(b)(5))
* Placement of students in externships, practicums, field experiences, and for medical residencies and rotations. (30 ILCS 500 / 1-13(b)(6))
* Programming and broadcast license rights for university-operated radio and television stations. (30 ILCS 500 / 1-13(b)(7))
* Performing sponsored research and other sponsored activities under grants and contracts funded by the sponsor or by sources other than state appropriations. (30 ILCS 500 / 1-13(b)(8)) (**consult sponsored program *before choosing this selection to support a grant award*).**
* Contracts with a foreign entity for research or educational activities, where the foreign entity does not maintain an office in the United States or the foreign entity is the sole source of the service or product. (30 ILCS 500 / 1-13(b)(9))
* Medical supplies or medical services necessary for the delivery of care and treatment at medical, dental, or veterinary teaching facilities utilized by siu or u of i (30 ILCS 500 / 1-13(b-5))
* Medical supplies or medical at a university-operated health care center or dispensary that provides care, treatment, and medications for students, faculty, and staff (30 ILCS 500 / 1-13(b-5))
* Purchase of care as defined in 1-15.68 of the Illinois procurement code. (30 ILCS 500/1-10(b)(3))
* Hiring an individual as an employee by contract directly with the individual. (30 ILCS 500/1-10(b)(4))
* A real estate property purchase valued over $25,000. (30 ILCS 500/1-10(b)(6))
* Anticipated litigation, enforcement actions, or investigations. (30 ILCS 500/1-10(b)(7))
* Services, commodities, and equipment to support the delivery of timely forensic science services. (30 ILCS 500/1-10(b)(13))
* Domestic or international trade show or exhibition of an exhibitor, member, or sponsor. (30 ILCS 500/1-10(b)(14))
* Contract with a railroad or utility that requires the state to reimburse for the relocation of utilities for construction or other public purpose. (30 ILCS 500/1-10(b)(15))
* Contracts for public education programming, non-commercial sustaining announcements, public service announcements, and public awareness and education message with the nonprofit trade associations of the providers of those services that inform the public on immediate and ongoing health and safety risks and hazards. (30 ILCS 500/1-10(b)(22)
* Contracts entered into under the public university energy conservation act (30 ILCS 500/1-13(12))
* Advertising purchased directly from a media station or the owner of the station for distribution of advertising (30 ILCS 500-1-13(13))
* Specialized space available at only one location (30 ILCS 500/40-5/30 ILCS 500/40-15(b)(4))
* Procurement expenditures for any ongoing software license or maintenance agreement or competitively solicited software purchase, when the software, license, or maintenance agreement is available through only the software creator or its manufacturer and not a reseller (30 ILCS 500/1-13 (b)(10))
* Procurement expenditures incurred outside of the United States for the recruitment of international students. (30 ILCS 500/1-13 (b) (11)
* Procurements made by or on behalf of the university of Illinois for investment services (30 ILCS 500/1-13(b-10))
* Contracts between the state and governments; contracts between state and its political subdivisions or between state governmental bodies (30 ILCS 500/1-10 (b)(1))- (no bulletin notice necessary)
* Grants, except for the filing requirements of section 20-80 – **(consult sponsored program *before choosing this selection to support a grant award)***
* Purchases utilizing an IPHEC (Illinois public higher education cooperative) contract; purchases utilizing a state of Illinois master contract or NIU issued request for proposal (RFP), invitation for bid (IFB), qualification-based selection (QBS), or sole source.