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**GOVERNMENT CODE - GOV**

**TITLE 1. GENERAL [100 - 7931.000]** ( Title 1 enacted by Stats. 1943, Ch. 134. )

**DIVISION 6. PUBLIC BONDS AND OBLIGATIONS [5000 - 5979]** ( Division 6 enacted by Stats. 1943, Ch. 134. )

**CHAPTER 4. Signatures [5300 - 5304]** ( Chapter 4 added by Stats. 1947, Ch. 1252. )

**5300.** As used in this chapter, "bond" means any bond and the interest coupons attached thereto issued by any public body.  
(Added by Stats. 1947, Ch. 1252.)

**5301.** As used in this chapter, "public body" means any county, city, district, or any other political subdivision of the State.  
(Added by Stats. 1947, Ch. 1252.)

**5302.** (a) Wherever any statute requires that any bond issued by a public body be signed, manually by two or more officers or other individuals, all signatures and countersignatures may be printed, lithographed, engraved, or otherwise mechanically reproduced except that one of said signatures or countersignatures to the bonds shall be manually affixed. The signature may be affixed in accordance with the provisions of the Uniform Facsimile Signatures of Public Officials Act, Chapter 6 (commencing with Section 5500) of Title 1.

(b) Notwithstanding subdivision (a), the governing board of the public body may, in its discretion, determine that all of the required signatures and countersignatures shall be by facsimiles, provided, however, that the bonds shall not be valid or become obligatory for any purpose until manually signed by an authenticating agent duly appointed by the governing board or its authorized designee.  
(Amended by Stats. 1988, Ch. 1055, Sec. 2.)

**5303.** Whenever under any law of this State, or under the provisions of any ordinance, resolution or order, bonds of any public body are required or permitted to be signed or countersigned manually by any public officer who is permitted by law to have a deputy, such bonds may be signed or countersigned on behalf of such officer by any deputy of such officer who has been authorized by such officer in writing so to sign or countersign.  
(Added by Stats. 1959, Ch. 1061.)

**5304.** If any officer or deputy whose signature, countersignature or attestation appears on bonds or coupons ceases to be such officer or deputy before delivery of the bonds, his signature, countersignature or attestation appearing either on the bonds or coupons or both is valid and sufficient for all purposes to the same extent as if he had remained in office until the delivery of the bonds.  
(Added by Stats. 1970, Ch. 609.)