

HOUSE BILL 236

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Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Minority Business Enterprises – Transitioning From Subcontractors to Prime**
3 **Contractors – Study and Report**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring the Governor’s Office of Minority Affairs and the Office of
5 Minority Business Enterprise in the Maryland Department of Transportation to
6 conduct a certain study with certain parties on how the State can assist certain
7 minority business enterprises in transitioning from subcontractors to prime
8 contractors; requiring the Governor’s Office of Minority Affairs and the Office of
9 Minority Business Enterprise to report to certain committees of the General
10 Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and
11 generally relating to a study of and report on transitioning minority business
12 enterprises from subcontractors to prime contractors.

13 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
14 That:

15 (a) The Governor’s Office of Minority Affairs and the Office of Minority Business
16 Enterprise in the Maryland Department of Transportation shall conduct a study with all
17 interested parties on how the State can assist minority business enterprises in
18 transitioning from subcontractors to prime contractors on State procurements, including:

19 (1) construction procurements and all other types of procurements that
20 utilize minority business enterprises; and

21 (2) a process for giving credit to former subcontractors that submit bids as
22 prime contractors for satisfactory work performed as subcontractors for other prime
23 contractors under previous State procurements.

24 (b) On or before October 1, 2017, the Governor’s Office of Minority Affairs and the
25 Office of Minority Business Enterprise shall submit a report to the Senate Education,

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee and the House Health and Government
2 Operations Committee, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, that
3 includes recommendations on how the State can assist minority business enterprises in
4 transitioning from subcontractors to prime contractors and any regulations or legislation
5 identified by the study.

6 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
7 October 1, 2016. It shall remain effective for a period of 2 years and, at the end of September
8 30, 2018, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be
9 abrogated and of no further force and effect.