

HOUSE BILL 122

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(PRE-FILED)

By: **Delegate Queen**

Requested: September 12, 2023

Introduced and read first time: January 10, 2024

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **General Provisions – Commemorative Month – Small Business Month**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Governor annually to proclaim a certain month as Small
4 Business Month; requiring the proclamation to urge citizens and organizations to
5 observe Small Business Month properly; and generally relating to Small Business
6 Month.

7 BY renumbering

8 Article – General Provisions

9 Section 7–504 through 7–507

10 to be Section 7–505 through 7–508, respectively

11 Annotated Code of Maryland

12 (2019 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)

13 BY adding to

14 Article – General Provisions

15 Section 7–504

16 Annotated Code of Maryland

17 (2019 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)

18 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
19 That Section(s) 7–504 through 7–507 of Article – General Provisions of the Annotated Code
20 of Maryland be renumbered to be Section(s) 7–505 through 7–508, respectively.

21 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read
22 as follows:

23 **Article – General Provisions**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 **7-504.**

2 **(A) IN RECOGNITION OF THE CONTRIBUTION THAT SMALL BUSINESSES**
3 **HAVE MADE TO THE STATE, THE GOVERNOR ANNUALLY SHALL PROCLAIM MAY AS**
4 **SMALL BUSINESS MONTH.**

5 **(B) THE PROCLAMATION SHALL URGE CITIZENS AND ORGANIZATIONS TO**
6 **OBSERVE SMALL BUSINESS MONTH PROPERLY WITH APPROPRIATE PROGRAMS,**
7 **CEREMONIES, AND ACTIVITIES.**

8 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
9 October 1, 2024.