
By: **Chairman, Commerce and Government Matters Committee**
(Departmental - General Services)

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **State Procurement - Public Notice of Procurement**

3 FOR the purpose of altering the methods of publication of notice of the solicitation of
4 certain contracts; and generally relating to notice requirements under the State
5 procurement law.

6 BY adding to

7 Article - State Finance and Procurement
8 Section 13-101(d) and (e)
9 Annotated Code of Maryland
10 (2001 Replacement Volume)

11 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

12 Article - State Finance and Procurement
13 Section 13-103(c)
14 Annotated Code of Maryland
15 (2001 Replacement Volume)

16 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
17 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

18 **Article - State Finance and Procurement**

19 13-101.

20 (D) "EMARYLAND MARKETPLACE" MEANS THE INTERNET-BASED
21 PROCUREMENT SYSTEM MANAGED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES.

22 (E) "CONTRACT WEEKLY ONLINE" MEANS THE INTERNET-BASED VERSION OF
23 THE MARYLAND CONTRACT WEEKLY.

1 13-103.

2 (c) (1) A unit shall give public notice of an invitation for bids before bid
3 opening in accordance with this subsection.

4 (2) A unit shall give reasonable notice that shall be at least 10 days
5 before bid opening.

6 (3) (I) The unit shall publish notice in the Contract Weekly AND
7 CONTRACT WEEKLY ONLINE [at least 20 days before bid opening] if:

8 [(i)] 1. the procurement officer reasonably expects bid prices to
9 exceed \$25,000 or a lower amount set by the Board by regulation in accordance with
10 Title 10, Subtitle 1 of the State Government Article; and

11 [(ii)] 2. at least part of the procurement contract is to be
12 performed in this State or the District of Columbia.

13 (II) THE NOTICE SHALL BE POSTED IN THE CONTRACT WEEKLY
14 ONLINE AT LEAST 20 DAYS BEFORE BID OPENING.

15 (4) In addition to any notice required under this subsection, a unit may
16 publish notice of an invitation for bids:

17 (i) in the Contract Weekly in accordance with Title 7, Subtitle 2 of
18 the State Government Article;

19 (ii) on a bid board OR EMARYLAND MARKETPLACE; or

20 (iii) in a newspaper, periodical, or trade journal.

21 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take
22 effect June 1, 2002.