

CHAPTER 327

(Senate Bill 946)

AN ACT concerning

Minority Business Enterprise Program – Report to Joint Committee on Fair Practices

FOR the purpose of requiring each unit of the State to submit a certain report regarding the Minority Business Enterprise Program to the Joint Committee on Fair Practices within a certain number of days after the end of the fiscal year; and generally relating to the Minority Business Enterprise Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 14–305
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2006 Replacement Volume and 2008 Supplement)

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

Article – State Finance and Procurement

14–305.

(a) (1) Within 90 days after the end of the fiscal year, each unit shall report to the Governor’s Office of Minority Affairs [and], the certification agency, **AND, SUBJECT TO § 2–1246 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON FAIR PRACTICES.**

(2) A report under this subsection shall for the preceding fiscal year:

(i) state the total number and value of procurement contracts between the unit and certified minority business enterprises, by specific category of minority business enterprise;

(ii) indicate the percentage that those procurement contracts represent, by specific category of minority business enterprise, of the total number and value of procurement contracts; and

(iii) contain other such information as required by the Governor’s Office of Minority Affairs and the certification agency and approved by the Board.

(3) A report under this subsection shall be in a form prescribed by the Governor's Office of Minority Affairs and the certification agency and approved by the Board.

(b) (1) On or before December 31 of each year, the Governor's Office of Minority Affairs shall submit to the Board of Public Works and, subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the Legislative Policy Committee a report summarizing the information the Office receives under subsection (a) of this section.

(2) This report may be prepared in conjunction with the annual report required under § 9-306 of the State Government Article.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2009.

Approved by the Governor, May 7, 2009.