

SENATE BILL 727

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By: **Senator Muse**

Introduced and read first time: February 3, 2012

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission Procurement Oversight**
3 **Committee and Minority Business Enterprise Utilization Program –**
4 **Termination Extension**

5 FOR the purpose of establishing a Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission
6 (WSSC) Procurement Oversight Committee; providing for the membership,
7 terms, and duties of the Committee; requiring the WSSC to submit, on or before
8 a certain date, a written report to the Committee demonstrating compliance
9 with a certain minority business enterprise law; stating the findings of the
10 General Assembly; requiring the Committee to report to certain delegations to
11 the General Assembly on or before a certain date; continuing until a certain
12 date certain provisions relating to procurement from minority business
13 enterprises by the Commission; and generally relating to the procurement
14 activities and minority business enterprise participation of the Washington
15 Suburban Sanitary Commission and the WSSC Procurement Oversight
16 Committee.

17 BY adding to
18 Article – Public Utilities
19 Section 20–207.1
20 Annotated Code of Maryland
21 (2010 Replacement Volume and 2011 Supplement)

22 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
23 Article – Public Utilities
24 Section 20–208
25 Annotated Code of Maryland
26 (2010 Replacement Volume and 2011 Supplement)

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

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 **Article – Public Utilities**

2 **20–207.1.**

3 **(A) THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FINDS THAT THE COMMISSION IS NOT IN**
4 **COMPLIANCE WITH THE MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE REQUIREMENTS OF**
5 **THIS SUBTITLE.**

6 **(B) (1) THERE IS A WASHINGTON SUBURBAN SANITARY**
7 **COMMISSION (WSSC) PROCUREMENT OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE.**

8 **(2) (I) THE COMMITTEE CONSISTS OF THE FOLLOWING**
9 **MEMBERS:**

10 **1. ONE MEMBER APPOINTED BY THE PRESIDENT OF**
11 **THE SENATE;**

12 **2. ONE MEMBER APPOINTED BY THE SPEAKER OF**
13 **THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES;**

14 **3. ONE MEMBER APPOINTED BY THE COUNTY**
15 **EXECUTIVE OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY; AND**

16 **4. ONE MEMBER APPOINTED BY THE COUNTY**
17 **EXECUTIVE OF PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY.**

18 **(II) EACH MEMBER SHALL:**

19 **1. BE A RESIDENT OF THE SANITARY DISTRICT; AND**

20 **2. HAVE EXPERIENCE WITH PROCUREMENT**
21 **ACTIVITIES OR MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISES.**

22 **(III) THE MEMBERS SHALL BE APPOINTED ON OR BEFORE**
23 **OCTOBER 1, 2012.**

24 **(IV) THE MEMBERS SHALL SERVE FOR A TERM OF 4 YEARS**
25 **AND MAY BE REAPPOINTED IF THE COMMITTEE ASSUMES AUTHORITY OVER**
26 **PROCUREMENT ACTIVITIES OF THE COMMISSION UNDER SUBSECTION (C)(2) OF**
27 **THIS SECTION.**

28 **(C) (1) THE COMMITTEE SHALL REVIEW ANY PROCUREMENT MADE**
29 **BY THE COMMISSION FOR COMPLIANCE WITH THIS SUBTITLE.**

1 **(2) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER LAW, IF THE COMMITTEE**
2 **DETERMINES THAT THE COMMISSION HAS NOT ACHIEVED COMPLIANCE WITH**
3 **THIS SUBTITLE AS DEMONSTRATED BY THE REPORT REQUIRED BY SUBSECTION**
4 **(D) OF THIS SECTION, THE COMMITTEE SHALL HAVE SOLE AUTHORITY OVER**
5 **ANY PROCUREMENT ACTIVITIES OF THE COMMISSION.**

6 **(D) ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 1, 2012, THE COMMISSION SHALL**
7 **SUBMIT A WRITTEN REPORT TO THE COMMITTEE DEMONSTRATING ITS**
8 **COMPLIANCE WITH THIS SUBTITLE.**

9 20–208.

10 This subtitle shall be of no effect and may not be enforced after July 1, [2012]
11 **2017.**

12 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, on or before January 1,
13 2014, the WSSC Procurement Oversight Committee shall report to the Montgomery
14 County and Prince George’s County Senate and House delegations to the Maryland
15 General Assembly, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, on
16 the status of minority business enterprise participation in procurements for the
17 Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission.

18 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
19 June 1, 2012.