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By: **Delegate B. Robinson**

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Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Procurement – Minority Business Enterprise Directory – Contract Amount**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the minority business certification agency to include the
4 total dollar amount paid by a unit to a minority business enterprise under each
5 contract in a certain minority business enterprise directory; and generally
6 relating to minority business enterprises.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
8 Article – State Finance and Procurement
9 Section 14–304(a)
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (2009 Replacement Volume and 2012 Supplement)

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

14 **Article – State Finance and Procurement**

15 14–304.

16 (a) (1) The certification agency shall develop and maintain a directory of
17 all certified minority business enterprises.

18 (2) The directory shall be accessible to the public through the Internet.

19 (3) For each minority business enterprise included in the directory,
20 the certification agency shall include the following information:

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (i) all contract information available to the certification agency
2 for the minority business enterprise, **INCLUDING THE TOTAL DOLLAR AMOUNT**
3 **PAID BY A UNIT TO THE MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE UNDER EACH**
4 **CONTRACT;**

5 (ii) the certification number and minority status of the minority
6 business enterprise;

7 (iii) contact information for up to three professional references
8 for the minority business enterprise; and

9 (iv) any other information the certification agency considers
10 necessary or appropriate to encourage participation in the procurement process by
11 minority business enterprises.

12 (4) The certification agency shall:

13 (i) update the directory at least monthly;

14 (ii) identify as recently certified in the directory each minority
15 business enterprise that has obtained certification during the calendar year; and

16 (iii) include in the directory a list of all minority business
17 enterprises that have become ineligible to participate in the Minority Business
18 Enterprise Program because:

19 1. one or more of its owners has a personal net worth
20 that exceeds the amount specified in § 14-301(i)(3) of this subtitle; or

21 2. the minority business enterprise no longer meets the
22 standards developed under § 14-303(b)(12) of this subtitle.

23 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
24 October 1, 2013.