Chapter 296

(House Bill 1104)

AN ACT concerning

Procurement Exemptions – Maryland Public Broadcasting Commission – Repacking Requirements

FOR the purpose of exempting from certain provisions of the State procurement law procurement by the Maryland Public Broadcasting Commission for procurement contracts needed to implement the repacking requirements of the federal Spectrum Act; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the application of State procurement laws to the Maryland Public Broadcasting Commission.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - State Finance and Procurement

Section 11–203(a)(1)(vi)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 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

11-203.

- (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, this Division II does not apply to:
 - (1) procurement by:
 - (vi) the Maryland Public Broadcasting Commission:
- 1. for services of artists for educational and cultural television productions; [or]
- 2. when planning for or fulfilling the obligations of grants or cooperative agreements that support the educational and cultural activities of the Commission; **OR**
- 3. FOR PROCUREMENT CONTRACTS NEEDED TO IMPLEMENT THE REPACKING REQUIREMENTS OF THE FEDERAL SPECTRUM ACT;

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2015. It shall remain effective for a period of 5 years and, at the end of June 30, 2020, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.

Approved by the Governor, May 12, 2015.