

# HOUSE BILL 587

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## CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **State Finance and Procurement – Veteran-Owned Small Business Enterprises –**  
3 **Definitions**

4 FOR the purpose of ~~defining “small business” and “veteran” for~~ defining “veteran” and  
5 altering the definition of “veteran-owned small business enterprise” for the purposes  
6 of certain provisions of law relating to ~~procurement from veteran-owned small~~  
7 ~~business enterprises; altering the definition of “veteran-owned small business~~  
8 ~~enterprise”~~ the structure of a unit’s procurement procedures; and generally relating  
9 to veteran-owned small business enterprises.

10 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
11 Article – State Finance and Procurement  
12 Section 14–601  
13 Annotated Code of Maryland  
14 (2015 Replacement Volume and 2016 Supplement)

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

17 **Article – State Finance and Procurement**

18 14–601.

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



1 (A) In this subtitle[, “veteran-owned] THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE  
2 MEANINGS INDICATED.

3 ~~(B) “SMALL BUSINESS” HAS THE MEANING STATED IN § 14-501 OF THIS~~  
4 ~~TITLE.~~

5 ~~(C)~~ (B) “VETERAN” MEANS AN INDIVIDUAL WHO SERVED ON ACTIVE DUTY  
6 IN THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES, OTHER THAN FOR TRAINING, AND  
7 WAS DISCHARGED OR RELEASED UNDER CONDITIONS OTHER THAN DISHONORABLE.

8 ~~(D)~~ (C) “VETERAN-OWNED small business enterprise” means a ~~SMALL~~  
9 business that:

10 (1) MEETS THE SIZE STANDARDS ADOPTED BY THE UNITED STATES  
11 SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION IN 13 C.F.R. 121.201 AND ANY SUBSEQUENT  
12 REVISION OF THAT REGULATION; AND

13 (2) is [verified by the Center for Veterans Enterprise of the United States  
14 Department of Veterans Affairs as a veteran-owned small business] **AT LEAST 51%**  
15 **OWNED BY ONE OR MORE INDIVIDUALS WHO:**

16 (I) ARE VETERANS; AND

17 (II) CONTROL THE MANAGEMENT AND DAILY OPERATIONS OF  
18 THE BUSINESS.

19 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
20 October 1, 2017.

Approved:

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Governor.

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Speaker of the House of Delegates.

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President of the Senate.