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BY: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee

<u>AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 721</u> (First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 8, after "persons;" insert "<u>requiring the Governor's Office of</u> <u>Small, Minority, and Women Business Affairs to take certain actions to assist small</u> <u>businesses with procurement procedures and opportunities;</u>"; in line 12, after "Affairs;" insert "<u>requiring the Governor's Office of Small, Minority, and Women Business Affairs</u> to report to the Board of Public Works on or before a certain date each year on certain <u>matters;</u>"; and in line 21, strike "and 14-504" and substitute "<u>14-504, and 14-505(c)</u>".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 5, in line 8, after the semicolon insert:

"(4) ASSIST SMALL BUSINESSES IN COMPLYING WITH PROCEDURES FOR BIDDING ON OR RESPONDING TO A REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR PROCUREMENT CONTRACTS;

(5) INCREASE AWARENESS OF PROCUREMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR SMALL BUSINESSES, FOCUSING PARTICULARLY ON THOSE BUSINESSES THAT HAVE BEEN OPERATING FOR 3 YEARS OR LESS;";

and in line 9, strike "(4)" and substitute "(6)".

On page 6, after line 7, insert:

"<u>14-505.</u>

(c) (1) ON OR BEFORE JUNE 30 EACH YEAR, THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF SMALL, MINORITY, AND WOMEN BUSINESS AFFAIRS SHALL REPORT

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TO THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND, IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 2–1257 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON THE ADMINISTRATION AND EFFECTIVENESS OF THE SMALL BUSINESS RESERVE PROGRAM UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.

(2) On or before December 31 of each year, the Governor's Office of Small, Minority, and Women Business Affairs shall submit to the Board of Public Works and, subject to § 2–1257 of the State Government Article, to the Legislative Policy Committee a report summarizing the information the Office receives under subsection (b) of this section.".