

# SENATE BILL 514

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By: **Senators Lam, Jackson, Muse, Rosapepe, Salling, and Ellis**

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

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **~~County~~ Local Procurements – Minority Business Enterprise Utilization**  
3 **Programs – Certification**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring that a county or municipality that operates a minority  
5 business enterprise utilization program and has a process for the certification of  
6 minority business enterprises shall accept as certified a person that holds a  
7 certification as a minority business enterprise by the State certification agency; and  
8 generally relating to ~~county~~ local procurements.

9 BY adding to

10 Article – Local Government  
11 Section ~~12-304~~ 1-404  
12 Annotated Code of Maryland  
13 (2013 Volume and 2022 Supplement)

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

16 **Article – Local Government**

17 **~~12-304.~~ 1-404.**

18 **(A) THIS SECTION APPLIES TO ALL COUNTIES AND MUNICIPALITIES.**

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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           **(B) A COUNTY OR MUNICIPALITY THAT OPERATES A MINORITY BUSINESS**  
 2 **ENTERPRISE UTILIZATION PROGRAM FOR COUNTY OR MUNICIPAL PROCUREMENTS**  
 3 **AND HAS A PROCESS FOR THE CERTIFICATION OF MINORITY BUSINESS**  
 4 **ENTERPRISES FOR ELIGIBILITY IN THAT PROGRAM SHALL ACCEPT AS CERTIFIED**  
 5 **FOR THE ~~COUNTY~~ PROGRAM ANY PERSON THAT HAS BEEN CERTIFIED AS A MINORITY**  
 6 **BUSINESS ENTERPRISE BY THE STATE CERTIFICATION AGENCY DESIGNATED UNDER**  
 7 **§ 14-303(B) OF THE STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT ARTICLE.**

8           SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
 9 October 1, 2023.

Approved:

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Governor.

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President of the Senate.

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Speaker of the House of Delegates.