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By: **Delegate Kerr**

Introduced and read first time: January 22, 2025

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **State Procurement Preferences – Blind Industries and Services of Maryland –**
3 **Packaging and Repackaging**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring a State or State aided or controlled entity to require a prime
5 contractor to procure certain janitorial products packaged or repackaged by Blind
6 Industries and Services of Maryland; and generally relating to procurement
7 preferences and Blind Industries and Services of Maryland.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
9 Article – State Finance and Procurement
10 Section 14–103(c)
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (2021 Replacement Volume and 2024 Supplement)

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

15 **Article – State Finance and Procurement**

16 14–103.

17 (c) To the extent practicable, a State or State aided or controlled entity shall
18 include in a maintenance contract that has a component for housekeeping or janitorial
19 services, a requirement that a prime contractor procure janitorial products from Blind
20 Industries and Services of Maryland if the specified products are made, manufactured,
21 remanufactured, **PACKAGED, REPACKAGED**, or assembled by Blind Industries and
22 Services of Maryland and are available.

23 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
24 October 1, 2025.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

