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TO: HEALTH AND GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS COMMITTEE  
FROM: ASSOCIATED BUILDERS AND CONTRACTORS  
RE: H.B. 500 – PROCUREMENT REFORM ACT OF 2025  
POSITION: FAVORABLE

The Associated Builders and Contractors of Maryland, appreciates the opportunity to opine on H.B. 500 which is before you today for consideration.

The bill would modernize and streamline the procurement process within Maryland's state government and associated entities. It seeks to enhance efficiency, promote small and minority-owned businesses, and adapt to contemporary needs for public procurement.

On behalf of ABC, we support HB 500, introduced by Governor's office. We appreciate the efforts made by both the Secretary of Labor and the Governor's legislative office to amend the bill. In its amended state, the bill makes common sense changes that improve the procurement process and will enable our contractors to meet the hiring goals of the State.

Overall, HB 500 represents a significant step forward in reforming Maryland's procurement system. It addresses many long-standing challenges and creates a framework for a more efficient, transparent, and equitable procurement process.

On behalf of the over 1,500 ABC members in Maryland, we respectfully request a favorable report on H.B. 500.

Marcus Jackson, Director of  
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