

FOR the purpose of requiring the Secretary of Transportation to certify to the Transportation Professional Services Selection Board its decision that architectural or engineering services cannot be provided by existing in-house resources; deleting certain public meeting and notice requirements; adding the requirement that the Board must hold a public meeting to accept, postpone for cause, or reject the person recommended under the Department's screening process to be awarded the contract for architectural or engineering services; requiring certain public notice; and clarifying provisions pertaining to the procurement of architectural and engineering services.

BY repealing

Article - Transportation
Section 2-307 and 2-308
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1977 Volume and 1977 Supplement)

BY adding to

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SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows:

Article - Transportation

2-307.

[(a) A transportation agency that desires to procure architectural or engineering services costing over \$25,000 shall present the request to the Board at a public meeting.

(b) Reasonable and timely public notice shall be given of any request presented to the Board.

(c) Before the Board approves any request for architectural or engineering services, it shall be satisfied that the services cannot be provided feasibly or economically by existing in-house resources.]

(A) THIS SUBTITLE APPLIES TO ANY TRANSPORTATION AGENCY THAT DESIRES TO PROCURE ARCHITECTURAL OR ENGINEERING SERVICES OVER \$25,000.

(B) THE SECRETARY SHALL CERTIFY TO THE BOARD THAT THE SERVICES CANNOT BE PROVIDED FEASIBLY OR ECONOMICALLY BY EXISTING IN-HOUSE RESOURCES.