

~~before a certain date; establishing certain prohibited acts and certain penalties for certain violations; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the procurement participation of disabled veteran business enterprises.~~

FOR the purpose of establishing a Task Force on Assistance to Disabled Veterans Establishing Small Businesses; specifying the membership and duties of the Task Force; providing for staffing of the Task Force; requiring the Governor to appoint a chair of the Task Force; prohibiting members of the Task Force from receiving compensation for serving on the Task Force; authorizing reimbursement to members of the Task Force for certain expenses; requiring the Task Force to submit certain reports to the Governor and to the General Assembly on or before certain dates; requiring the Department of Veterans Affairs to provide certain information on procurement to certain veterans; providing for the termination of certain provisions of this Act; providing for the effective dates of this Act; and generally relating to the Task Force on Assistance to Disabled Veterans Establishing Small Businesses.

BY adding to

~~Article — State Finance and Procurement~~

~~Section 14-601 through 14-607, inclusive, to be under the new subtitle "Subtitle 6. Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise Participation"~~

~~Annotated Code of Maryland~~

~~(2001 Replacement Volume and 2004 Supplement)~~

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

~~Article — State Finance and Procurement~~

~~Section 16-203(a)~~

~~Annotated Code of Maryland~~

~~(2001 Replacement Volume and 2004 Supplement)~~

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

~~Article — State Finance and Procurement~~

~~SUBTITLE 6. DISABLED VETERAN BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PARTICIPATION.~~

~~14-601.~~

~~(A) IN THIS SUBTITLE THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.~~

~~(B) "AWARDING UNIT" MEANS A UNIT OF STATE GOVERNMENT OR AN OFFICIAL OF THE STATE THAT ENTERS INTO CONTRACTS ON BEHALF OF THE STATE.~~

~~(C) "CERTIFICATION" MEANS THE DETERMINATION THAT A LEGAL ENTITY IS A DISABLED VETERAN BUSINESS ENTERPRISE FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SUBTITLE.~~