

- (10) St. Mary's City Commission
- (11) Community Development Administration
- (12) Seafood Marketing Authority and Division of Market Development
- (13) Maryland Bicentennial Commission for the Commemoration of the American Revolution
- (14) Division of Tourism
- (15) Commission on Afro-American History and Culture
- (16) Commission on Indian Affairs
- (17) OFFICE OF MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE

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(A) DEFINITIONS.

THE FOLLOWING TERMS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED:

(1) "DISADVANTAGED PERSON" MEANS THOSE PERSONS WHO HAVE BEEN DEPRIVED OF THE OPPORTUNITY TO DEVELOP AND MAINTAIN A COMPETITIVE POSITION IN THE ECONOMY BECAUSE OF SOCIAL OR ECONOMIC DISADVANTAGE.

(2) "MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE" MEANS A BUSINESS, AT LEAST 50 PERCENT OF WHICH IS OWNED BY MINORITY PERSONS, OR IN THE CASE OF PUBLICLY OWNED BUSINESSES, AT LEAST 51 PERCENT OF THE STOCK OF WHICH IS OWNED BY MINORITY PERSONS.

(3) "MINORITY PERSON" MEANS ONE WHO IS A SOCIAL OR ECONOMICALLY DISADVANTAGED PERSON. THE DISADVANTAGE MAY ARISE FROM CULTURAL, RACIAL, CHRONIC ECONOMIC CIRCUMSTANCES OF BACKGROUND, OR OTHER SIMILAR CAUSES. "MINORITY PERSON" INCLUDES, BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO, NEGROES, FEMALES, PUERTO RICANS, SPANISH SPEAKING AMERICANS, AMERICAN INDIANS, ESKIMOS, ALEUTS, ORIENTALS, AND HANDICAPPED SHELTERED ORIENTED WORKSHOPS.

(B) THERE IS AN OFFICE OF MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT.

~~(B) (C) THE SECRETARY, WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE GOVERNOR, WITH THE ADVICE AND CONSENT OF THE SENATE, SHALL APPOINT A DIRECTOR OF THIS OFFICE WHO SHALL CARRY OUT THE VARIOUS STATE AND FEDERAL PROGRAMS CREATED TO FOSTER GROWTH~~