

(8) PROMOTE DEVELOPMENT OF UNIFORM PROCUREMENT PROCEDURES TO THE EXTENT POSSIBLE.

1-202.

(A) THIS ARTICLE APPLIES TO:

(1) EVERY EXPENDITURE BY A STATE AGENCY FOR SUPPLIES, SERVICES, AND CONSTRUCTION UNDER ANY CONTRACT OR SIMILAR BUSINESS AGREEMENT;

(2) ~~PROCUREMENT BY A STATE AGENCY ON BEHALF OF A LOCAL-GOVERNMENTAL-AGENCY-OR-OTHER-NON-STATE-ENTITY;~~ ANOTHER GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY OR ANY OTHER ENTITY; AND

(3) PROCUREMENT BY BLIND INDUSTRIES AND SERVICES OF MARYLAND, THE MARYLAND AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE FUND, THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND, AND THE MARYLAND ENVIRONMENTAL TRUST, ALL OF WHICH ARE STATE AGENCIES FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS ARTICLE.

(B) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION AND SECTIONS 3-405, 3-501, 8-204, 8-501 THROUGH 8-515, 8-701 THROUGH 8-705, 9-106, AND 9-206, THIS ARTICLE DOES NOT APPLY TO:

(1) CONTRACTS OR LIKE BUSINESS AGREEMENTS BETWEEN A STATE AGENCY AND ANOTHER STATE AGENCY OR A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE OR OTHER GOVERNMENTS;

(2) PROCUREMENT BY BISTATE OR MULTISTATE GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES;

(3) PROCUREMENT BY BICOUNTY AND OR MULTICOUNTY LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES; AND

(4) PROCUREMENT BY POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS OF THE STATE, INCLUDING COUNTIES, MUNICIPALITIES, SANITARY DISTRICTS, DRAINAGE DISTRICTS, SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICTS, AND WATER SUPPLY DISTRICTS.

### SUBTITLE 3. DETERMINATIONS

1-301.

EVERY DETERMINATION REQUIRED BY THIS ARTICLE SHALL BE IN WRITING AND BASED UPON WRITTEN FINDINGS OF THE PUBLIC OFFICIAL OR EMPLOYEE MAKING THE DETERMINATION AND SHALL BE RETAINED IN AN OFFICIAL CONTRACT FILE FOR A PERIOD OF 3 YEARS.

## TITLE 2. PROCUREMENT ORGANIZATION

### SUBTITLE 1. STATE PROCUREMENT ORGANIZATION

2-101.