

Enterprise by July 31 of each year beginning in 1979, the total number and value of its purchases from minority business enterprises, and the percentage which those purchases represent of its total number and value of its purchases for the preceding fiscal year.

(d) A department may suspend the provisions of subsection (b) if it concludes they conflict with any applicable federal program requirement. Any such suspension shall be in writing and shall be included with the report required by subsection (c).

(e) This [section] SUBTITLE shall have no further force and effect after June 30, 1983.

SECTION 16. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section(s) 69 through 73, respectively, of Article 78A - Public Works, of the Annotated Code of Maryland be and they are hereby transferred, with amendments, to be Section(s) 8-701 through 8-705, respectively, to be under the new subtitle "Subtitle 7. Steel Procurement for Public Works", of the new Article 21 - Procurement, of the Annotated Code of Maryland, to read as follows:

ARTICLE 21 - PROCUREMENT

SUBTITLE 7. STEEL PROCUREMENT FOR PUBLIC WORKS

[69.] 8-701.

(a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.

(b) [(1) "Contract" means all types of agreements and orders for the procurement or disposal of supplies, services, construction, or any other item.

(2) "Contract" includes awards and notices of award; contracts of a fixed price, cost, cost-plus-a-fixed-fee, or incentive types; contracts providing for the issuance of job orders, task orders, or task letters thereunder; letter contracts, and purchase orders.

(3) "Contract" also includes supplemental agreements with respect to any of the foregoing.]

[(c)] "Person" means a natural person, corporation, partnership, or other business unit or association.

[(d)] (C) "Public agency" means:

(1) The State of Maryland, its departments, agencies, boards, commissions, and institutions; and