

(B) IN ORDER TO CARRY OUT AN INSPECTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SECTION, THE DEPARTMENT, OR ITS AUTHORIZED AGENTS, MAY:

(1) CONDUCT TESTS OR SAMPLING, OR EXAMINE BOOKS, PAPERS, AND RECORDS THAT RELATE TO ANY MATTER UNDER AN INVESTIGATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SUBTITLE; AND

(2) AT REASONABLE TIMES, ENTER AND EXAMINE ANY PROPERTY, FACILITY, OPERATION, OR ACTIVITY.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2006.

May 26, 2006

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr.
President of the Senate
State House
Annapolis, MD 21401

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, today I have vetoed Senate Bill 884 – *Procurement – Minority Business Participation*.

This bill continues until July 1, 2011, the provisions of the State Procurement Law relating to procurement from minority businesses; and requires a study and a final report on the study of the Minority Business Enterprise Program to be submitted to the Legislative Policy Committee before September 30, 2010.

House Bill 869, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign Senate Bill 884.

Very truly yours,
Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr.
(Governor

Senate Bill No. 884

AN ACT concerning

Procurement – Minority Business Participation

FOR the purpose of continuing until a certain date the provisions of the State Procurement Law relating to procurement from minority businesses; requiring a certain study and a final report on the study by a certain date; and generally relating to minority business participation in State procurement.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 14–309