

- (ii) The time required for delivery;
- (iii) The purpose for which required;
- (iv) The competency and responsibility of the bidder;
- (v) The ability of the bidder to perform satisfactory service; and
- (vi) The plan for utilization of minority contractors.

(2) The county board may reject any and all bids and readvertise for other bids.

(d) (1) In this subsection, the term "minority business enterprise" has the meaning stated in § 14-301 of the State Finance and Procurement Article.

(2) In Montgomery County, by resolution and by implementing regulations, the Montgomery County Board of Education shall establish a minority business utilization program to facilitate the participation of responsible certified minority business enterprises in contracts awarded by the Montgomery County Board of Education in accordance with competitive bidding procedures.

(e) Nonpublic schools may participate under any contracts for goods or commodities that are awarded by county boards, other public agencies, or intergovernmental purchasing organizations, if the lead agency for the contract award follows public bidding procedures.

(f) A contract entered into or purchase made in violation of this section is void.

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

Approved April 11, 2006.

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## CHAPTER 96

### (House Bill 610)

AN ACT concerning

### **Education - Charles County Board of Education - Member Vacancy Interviews**

FOR the purpose of requiring an interview of certain applicants for a certain vacancy on the Charles County Board of Education to be conducted at a meeting open to the public; requiring the Board to publish a certain list within a certain time period; requiring a certain public notice to be published within a certain time period and in a certain manner; providing that certain discussions of the Board and the selection of a certain member of the Board need not occur at a meeting open to the public; and generally relating to vacancy interviews for members of the Charles County Board of Education.