H.B. 498 VETOES

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - State Finance and Procurement

13-102.1.

- (A) A UNIT MAY NOT CHARGE A FEE TO ACCESS EMARYLAND MARKETPLACE.
- (B) (1) THE DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT MAY ESTABLISH FEES FOR THE USE OF EMARYLAND MARKETPLACE BY AN ENTITY THAT PUBLISHES A NOTICE OF A PROCUREMENT, CONDUCTS A PROCUREMENT, OR PUBLISHES A NOTICE OF AWARD.
- (2) THE DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT MAY NOT CHARGE A UNIT, AS DEFINED IN § 11–101(X) OF THIS ARTICLE, A FEE UNDER THIS SUBSECTION.

13-103.

- [(g) (1) A unit may not charge a fee to access eMaryland Marketplace.
- (2) To pay the costs of operating eMaryland Marketplace, the unit shall deduct and retain from the procurement contract price that was submitted by the responsible bidder to whom the procurement contract was awarded the fee specified by the Department of Budget and Management under paragraph (3) of this subsection.
- (3) (i) The Department of Budget and shall establish by regulation, and adjust each fiscal year as necessary, the fee that is to be deducted from each procurement contract under this section.
- (ii) The fee shall be set at an amount that is sufficient to pay the costs of operating eMaryland Marketplace.]

13-104.

- [(h) (1) A unit may not charge a fee to access eMaryland Marketplace.
- (2) To pay the costs of operating eMaryland Marketplace, the unit shall deduct and retain from the procurement contract price that was submitted by the responsible bidder to whom the procurement contract was awarded the fee specified by the Department of Budget and Management under paragraph (3) of this subsection.
- (3) (i) The Department of Budget and Management shall establish by regulation, and adjust each fiscal year as necessary, the fee that is to be deducted from each procurement contract under this section.
- $\mbox{(ii)}$ The fee shall be set at an amount that is sufficient to pay the costs of operating eMaryland Marketplace.]

13-107.1.

[(k) (1) A unit may not charge a fee to access eMaryland Marketplace.