

Procurement - Board of Contract Appeals - Time Limits

FOR the purpose of establishing certain time limits for eases contract disputes before the State Board of Contract Appeals;--and--providing-for-a-waiver-of-any-time-limit-upon the-agreement-of-all-parties-in-a-case; and providing for a certain contingency.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 21 - Procurement
Section 7-202(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1981 Replacement Volume and 1984 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - State Finance and Procurement
Section 11-138(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(As enacted by Chapters ___ and ___ (H.B. 1 and
H.B. 100) of the Acts of the General Assembly of
1985)

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

Article 21 - Procurement

7-202.

(c) (1) The Appeals Board shall have jurisdiction to hear and decide all appeals arising under the provisions of § 7-201(d) of this article.

(2) ~~-(Proceedings)-EXCEPT-AS-PROVIDED-IN-PARAGRAPH (3)-OF-THIS-SUBSECTION,--PROCEEDINGS~~ before the Appeals Board shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act as they relate to contested cases before agencies. The Appeals Board shall, in accordance with the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act, adopt regulations which are not inconsistent with that act to provide for informal, expeditious, and inexpensive resolution of appeals before the Appeals Board.

(3) THE FOLLOWING TIME LIMITS SHALL APPLY TO CONTRACT DISPUTE PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE APPEALS BOARD UNLESS--ALL--PARTIES IN-A-CASE-AGREE-TO-A-WAIVER-OF-ONE-OR-MORE-OF-THE-TIME-LIMITS-

~~(i)--THE-APPELLANT'S-BRIEF-SHALL-BE-FILED-WITHIN 40-DAYS-AFTER-THE-PRESENTATION-OF-EVIDENCE-IN-THE-CASE;~~

~~(ii)--THE-APPELLEE'S-BRIEF-SHALL-BE-FILED-WITHIN 30-DAYS-AFTER-THE-FILING-OF-THE-APPELLANT'S-BRIEF;~~