

under oath, during the course of an official investigation or other proceeding, acts or omissions which would constitute grounds for conviction is subject to the procedures for debarment from consideration for or the award of State contracts in accordance with general debarment regulations adopted by the Board.

(ii) Upon a finding of a violation pursuant to the general debarment regulations, the person shall be debarred for any period determined by the Board to be appropriate under the circumstances.

(f) (1) It is a violation of this section to make false statements that any entity is or is not certified as a minority business enterprise for purposes of this section.

(2) Any person who violates the provisions of this subsection is guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction is subject to imprisonment for a period of not more than 1 year, or a fine of not more than \$2,500, or both.

(G) (1) IN ANY MATTER REGARDING THE DECERTIFICATION OF A MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE; THE MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION MAY SUBPOENA WITNESSES, ADMINISTER OATHS, AND COMPEL PRODUCTION OF RECORDS, BOOKS, PAPERS, AND OTHER DOCUMENTS, IN THE SAME MANNER AND WITH THE SAME FEES AS PROVIDED FOR BY LAW IN CIVIL CASES.

(2) IF ANY PERSON FAILS TO COMPLY WITH A SUBPOENA, THE MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION MAY PETITION A COURT OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION TO COMPEL OBEDIENCE TO THE SUBPOENA AND TO COMPEL THE PRODUCTION OF RELEVANT DOCUMENTS AND OTHER EVIDENCE.

[(g)] (H) This section shall have no further force and effect after June 30, 1988; except that this subsection does not preclude the prosecution after June 30, 1988 of any violation of a provision of this section which occurred on or before June 30, 1988.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1987.

Approved May 14, 1987.