

regulations, the person shall be debarred for any period determined by the Board to be appropriate under the circumstances.

(f) A person may not willfully make false statements that any entity is or is not certified as a minority business enterprise for purposes of this subtitle. 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.

(fg) This subtitle 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 subtitle which occurred on or before June 30, 1988.

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(a) (1) In this section the following words have the meanings indicated.

(2) "Designated Department" means the University of Maryland, the Departments of General Services and Transportation, the Maryland Food Authority, the Maryland Stadium Authority, or the Interagency Committee on Public School Construction, or, for procurements specified under Title 3, Subtitle 4 of this article, the Department of Budget and Fiscal Planning.

(3) "Minority business enterprise" means any legal entity, other than a joint venture, organized to engage in commercial transactions which is at least 51 percent owned and controlled by one or more minority individuals, or a nonprofit entity organized to promote the interests of the physically or mentally disabled.

(4) "Minority individual" means a member of a socially or economically disadvantaged minority group, which for purposes of this subtitle includes Blacks (not of Hispanic origin), Hispanics, American Indians, Alaska natives, Asians, Pacific Islanders, women, and the physically or mentally disabled.

(5) "Certification" means the determination, through a procedure used by the Department of Transportation or recommended by the State Minority Business Certification Council, that a legal entity is a minority business enterprise for purposes of this subtitle.

(b) (1) Each designated department, except the Department of Transportation as to construction contracts, shall structure its procedures for procuring supplies, services, construction,