

(e) (1) The WSSC may conduct any fact-finding study in connection with a minority business enterprise program for consistency with applicable law.

(2) The WSSC shall report the findings of any review completed under this paragraph to the Montgomery County and Prince George's County Delegations to the General Assembly.

(f) By September 15, [1998] ~~2001~~ OF EACH YEAR, the WSSC shall issue a report concerning the implementation and administration of the Minority Business Enterprise Program through June 30, [1998] ~~2001~~ OF EACH YEAR, and appropriate recommendations concerning the program, to the Montgomery County and Prince George's County Senate and House Delegations to the Maryland General Assembly.

(g) The provisions of this section shall be void and may not be enforced after July 1, [1999] 2002.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That if any provision of this Act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid for any reason in a court of competent jurisdiction, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or any other application of this Act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and for this purpose the provisions of this Act are declared severable.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, within 30 days after the effective date of this Act, the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission shall establish a timetable for implementing recommendations 1 through 22 itemized in the Executive Summary of the "Minority Business Enterprise Disparity Study for the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission", dated March 12, 1999, and submitted by MGT of America, Inc. The Commission, by a vote of its members taken at a regularly scheduled meeting, may decide not to implement a recommendation that it finds to be inappropriate.

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1999.

Approved April 27, 1999.

CHAPTER 257

(House Bill 618)

AN ACT concerning

Washington Suburban Sanitary District - Highways and Streets - Plan of Scheduled System Repairs

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FOR the purpose of requiring the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission (WSSC) to submit a certain plan to certain counties and, municipal corporations,