

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 116 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1995
Section 2

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

Article - State Finance and Procurement

~~13-304.~~

~~(b) The procedures of each selection board shall ensure that a recommendation to the Board of Public Works for the award of a procurement contract for architectural or engineering services costing over \$100,000 AS TO THE GENERAL SELECTION BOARD AND OVER \$50,000 AS TO THE TRANSPORTATION SELECTION BOARD is made on a competitive basis and includes an evaluation of the technical proposals and qualifications of at least 2 persons.~~

~~13-310.~~

~~(d) A transportation unit shall negotiate competitively each procurement contract for architectural or engineering services costing ~~[\$100,000]~~ \$50,000 or less at a price that the transportation unit determines to be fair and reasonable.~~

14-302.

(a) (1) Except for leases of real property and except as provided in paragraphs (2) and (3) of this subsection, each unit shall structure procurement procedures, consistent with the purposes of this subtitle, to try to achieve the result that a minimum of ~~[14%]~~ 30% of the unit's total dollar value of procurement contracts is made directly or indirectly from certified minority business enterprises IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SECTION.

(2) Except as provided in paragraph (3) of this subsection, in procurement for construction, each unit shall:

(i) structure procurement procedures, consistent with the purposes of this subtitle, to try to achieve the result that a minimum of ~~[14%]~~ 30% of the unit's total dollar value of construction contracts is made directly or indirectly from certified minority business enterprises; and

(ii) consider the practical severability of the construction projects.

(3) With respect to the Maryland Department of Transportation, the provisions of paragraph (2)(i) of this subsection shall apply only to construction contracts in excess of ~~[\$100,000]~~ \$50,000.

(4) To achieve the result specified in paragraph (1) or (2) of this subsection, a contractor shall:

(i) identify specific work categories appropriate for subcontracting;