

CHAPTER 496

(House Bill 287)

AN ACT concerning

**Procurement - Minority Business Enterprise Participation —~~Sunset~~
~~Extension~~**

FOR the purpose of modifying the threshold governing the application of the State's minority business enterprise program to Maryland Department of Transportation construction contracts; continuing until a certain date certain provisions of the State Procurement Law relating to procurement from minority businesses; requiring an executive summary of a certain study and the issuance of a certain report ~~the executive summary to the Legislative Policy Committee~~ by a certain date; extending the date by which a certain report must be submitted to the General Assembly for review; requiring that the initiation of a certain study be done in consultation with the Office of the Attorney General; and generally relating to minority business participation in State procurement.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article - State Finance and Procurement
Section 14-302 and 14-309
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1995 Replacement Volume and 1999 Supplement)

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

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% 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: