

Approved by the Governor, May 17, 2007.

CHAPTER 621

(House Bill 691)

AN ACT concerning

**Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission – Minority and Local Small
Business Enterprise Programs**

MC/PG 104-07

FOR the purpose of requiring the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission (WSSC) to establish a mandatory minority business utilization program by resolution or regulation for certain purposes under certain circumstances; requiring the regulations that establish a certain minority business utilization program to contain certain provisions; requiring the WSSC to examine certain certification programs to ensure that they adhere to certain guidelines before accepting the certification programs; authorizing the WSSC to conduct a certain fact-finding study under certain circumstances; requiring the WSSC to report certain findings to certain persons under certain circumstances; requiring the WSSC to issue a certain report to certain persons annually; establishing the Office of Small, Local, and Minority Business Enterprise (Office) in the WSSC; requiring the Office to administer certain minority and local small business enterprise programs; establishing the Director of the Office; imposing certain duties on the Office as to minority business enterprises; imposing certain duties on the WSSC and a contractor as to compliance with certified minority business enterprise subcontract participation goals; requiring a bid or proposal for certain WSSC procurement contracts to include the expected degree of minority business enterprise participation, based on certain factors, under certain circumstances; requiring certain WSSC regulations to require a bid or proposal for certain WSSC procurement contracts to include proof of certified minority business enterprise commitment under certain circumstances; prohibiting the use of a certain sheltered market program unless certain less restrictive remedies have been used and found ineffective under certain circumstances; providing for the awarding of a contract under a certain sheltered market program under certain circumstances; altering the scope of certain business eligibility criteria that the WSSC is required to adopt as to the local small business enterprise program; defining certain terms; making the provisions of this Act severable; ~~making this Act an emergency measure~~; providing for the