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(A) IN ADDITION TO ANY OTHER PROVISION OF LAW, THE FOLLOWING PERSONS SHALL USE EMARYLAND MARKETPLACE TO PUBLISH NOTICE OF A PROCUREMENT OR PUBLISH A NOTICE OF AWARD OF A PROCUREMENT THAT IS AT THE SAME AMOUNT OR EXCEEDS THE AMOUNT REQUIRED BY THE BOARD FOR A STATE CONTRACT TO BE PUBLISHED IN EMARYLAND MARKETPLACE:

- (1) A UNIT OF STATE GOVERNMENT;
- (2) A COUNTY;
- (3) A MUNICIPALITY;
- (4) A BICOUNTY OR MULTICOUNTY GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY;
- (5) A SPECIAL TAX DISTRICT, SANITARY DISTRICT, DRAINAGE DISTRICT, SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT, AND WATER SUPPLY DISTRICT;
- (6) A PUBLIC INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION;
- (7) A PUBLIC SCHOOL; AND
- (8) EXCEPT FOR THE MARYLAND HEALTH AND HIGHER EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES AUTHORITY, AN ENTITY EXEMPT FROM THE PROVISIONS OF THIS DIVISION II IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 11-203 OF THIS ARTICLE.

(B) THIS SECTION MAY NOT BE CONSTRUED TO PROHIBIT A PERSON LISTED IN SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION FROM PUBLISHING NOTICE OF A PROCUREMENT OR PUBLISHING A NOTICE OF AWARD IN ACCORDANCE WITH ANY OTHER LAW OR POLICY.

(C) AN UNINTENTIONAL VIOLATION OF THIS SECTION MAY NOT CONSTITUTE GROUNDS TO CHALLENGE OR APPEAL:

- (1) THE AWARD OF A PROCUREMENT; OR
- (2) THE PROCESS THROUGH WHICH A PROCUREMENT WAS CONDUCTED.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 2008.