

# SENATE BILL 350

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## ENROLLED BILL

— *Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs/Health and Government Operations* —

Introduced by **Senators Edwards, Jennings, Astle, Currie, ~~and DeGrange~~  
DeGrange, Conway, Pinsky, Rosapepe, Young, Montgomery,  
Nathan-Pulliam, Kagan, Simonaire, Bates, Salling, and Waugh**

Read and Examined by Proofreaders:

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Sealed with the Great Seal and presented to the Governor, for his approval this  
\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock, \_\_\_\_\_ M.

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President.

### CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Procurement – Veteran-Owned Small Business Enterprises – Participation Goal**

3 FOR the purpose of altering a certain participation goal for certain veteran-owned business  
4 enterprises for certain procurement contracts; repealing obsolete language; and  
5 generally relating to procurement participation by veteran-owned small business  
6 enterprises.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

8 Article – State Finance and Procurement

9 Section 14-602

10 Annotated Code of Maryland

11 (2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

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#### EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.

*Italics* indicate opposite chamber/conference committee amendments.



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

3 **Article – State Finance and Procurement**

4 14–602.

5 (a) [Beginning July 1, 2012, a] A unit shall structure procurement procedures,  
6 consistent with the purposes of this subtitle, to try to achieve an overall minimum of [0.5%]  
7 ~~5%~~ 1% of the unit’s total dollar value of procurement contracts to be made directly or  
8 indirectly with veteran–owned small business enterprises.

9 (b) Solicitation documents shall establish the expected degree of veteran–owned  
10 small business enterprise participation based, in part, on:

11 (1) the potential subcontract opportunities available in the procurement  
12 contract; and

13 (2) the availability of veteran–owned small business enterprises to respond  
14 competitively to the potential subcontract opportunities.

15 (c) The provisions of this subtitle do not apply to a unit’s procurement procedures  
16 to the extent that any unit determines that those provisions are in conflict with an  
17 applicable federal program.

18 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
19 October 1, 2015.

Approved:

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Governor.

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President of the Senate.

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Speaker of the House of Delegates.