

SENATE BILL 350

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CF HB 243

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

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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)

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

14 **Article – State Finance and Procurement**

15 14–602.

16 (a) [Beginning July 1, 2012, a] **A** unit shall structure procurement procedures,
17 consistent with the purposes of this subtitle, to try to achieve an overall minimum of [0.5%]

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.



1 **5%** of the unit's total dollar value of procurement contracts to be made directly or indirectly
2 with veteran-owned small business enterprises.

3 (b) Solicitation documents shall establish the expected degree of veteran-owned
4 small business enterprise participation based, in part, on:

5 (1) the potential subcontract opportunities available in the procurement
6 contract; and

7 (2) the availability of veteran-owned small business enterprises to respond
8 competitively to the potential subcontract opportunities.

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

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

Approved:

Governor.

President of the Senate.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.