

# SENATE BILL 510

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By: **Senator Ellis**

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

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Procurement – Minority Business Enterprises and Veteran–Owned Small**  
3 **Business Enterprises – Participation Goal Scorecard**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring the Governor’s Office of Small, Minority, and Women  
5 Business Affairs to develop a scorecard to evaluate units of State government on the  
6 units’ performance toward meeting certain participation goals under the Minority  
7 Business Enterprise Program and the Veteran–Owned Small Business Enterprise  
8 Program; establishing a certain grading scale for the scorecard; requiring grades  
9 achieved by each unit to be ~~included in the Office’s annual report~~ published each  
10 year on the Office’s website; and generally relating to minority business enterprise  
11 and veteran–owned small business enterprise procurement participation.

12 BY adding to

13 Article – State Government

14 Section 9–307

15 Annotated Code of Maryland

16 (2021 Replacement Volume and 2022 Supplement)

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

19 **Article – State Government**

20 **9–307.**

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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.



1 (A) THE OFFICE SHALL DEVELOP A SCORECARD TO EVALUATE UNITS OF  
2 STATE GOVERNMENT ON THE UNITS' PERFORMANCE TOWARD MEETING:

3 (1) THE MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PARTICIPATION GOAL  
4 ESTABLISHED UNDER § 14-302 OF THE STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT  
5 ARTICLE; AND

6 ~~(2) ANY MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE SUBGOALS ESTABLISHED~~  
7 ~~UNDER § 14-302 OF THE STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT ARTICLE; AND~~

8 ~~(3) (2)~~ THE VETERAN-OWNED SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE GOAL  
9 ESTABLISHED UNDER § 14-602 OF THE STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT  
10 ARTICLE.

11 (B) THE SCORECARD SHALL INCLUDE ~~THE FOLLOWING GRADING SCALE:~~

12 ~~(1) "A" GRADE FOR A UNIT THAT ACHIEVES 90% OR MORE OF THE~~  
13 ~~APPLICABLE GOAL;~~

14 ~~(2) "B" GRADE FOR A UNIT THAT ACHIEVES BETWEEN 80% AND 89%~~  
15 ~~OF THE APPLICABLE GOAL;~~

16 ~~(3) "C" GRADE FOR A UNIT THAT ACHIEVES BETWEEN 70% AND 79%~~  
17 ~~OF THE APPLICABLE GOAL; AND~~

18 ~~(4) "FAILING" GRADE FOR A UNIT THAT ACHIEVES BELOW 70% OF~~  
19 ~~THE APPLICABLE GOAL~~ A GRADING SCALE DEVELOPED BY THE OFFICE AS A  
20 WEIGHTED SYSTEM THAT INCLUDES EACH UNIT'S CONTRIBUTION TOWARD MEETING  
21 THE STATEWIDE:

22 (1) MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PARTICIPATION GOAL; AND

23 (2) VETERAN-OWNED SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE GOAL.

24 (C) (1) THE OFFICE SHALL ~~INCLUDE~~ PUBLISH THE GRADES ACHIEVED BY  
25 EACH UNIT ~~UNDER THIS SECTION IN THE ANNUAL REPORT SUBMITTED UNDER §~~  
26 ~~9-306 OF THIS SUBTITLE.~~ UNDER THIS SECTION EACH YEAR ON THE OFFICE'S  
27 WEBSITE.

28 (2) WITHIN 30 DAYS OF PUBLISHING INFORMATION ON ITS WEBSITE  
29 IN ACCORDANCE WITH PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE OFFICE SHALL  
30 SUBMIT THE INFORMATION PUBLISHED ON ITS WEBSITE TO THE GENERAL  
31 ASSEMBLY, IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 2-1257 OF THIS ARTICLE.

1           SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
2   October 1, 2023.

Approved:

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Governor.

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President of the Senate.

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Speaker of the House of Delegates.