

HB0991/473125/1

BY: Health and Government Operations Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 991
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in the sponsor line, strike “**Delegate Harris**” and substitute “**Delegates Harris, Alston, Bagnall, Bhandari, Cullison, Guzzone, Hill, S. Johnson, Kaiser, Kerr, Lopez, Martinez, Pena-Melnyk, Rosenberg, Ross, Taveras, White Holland, Woods, and Woorman**”; in line 5, after “to” insert “public-private partnerships”; in line 6, after “projects” insert a comma; after line 13, insert:

“BY adding to

Article – State Finance and Procurement

Section 10A-404

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2021 Replacement Volume and 2024 Supplement)”;

and in line 27, before “5” insert “4 and”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, after line 23, insert:

“**10A-404.**

(A) THE FINDINGS AND EVIDENCE RELIED ON BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR THE CONTINUATION OF THE MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PROGRAM UNDER TITLE 14, SUBTITLE 3 OF THIS ARTICLE ARE HEREBY INCORPORATED.

(B) TO THE EXTENT PRACTICABLE AND PERMITTED BY THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION, THE PROVISIONS OF THE MINORITY BUSINESS

ENTERPRISE PROGRAM UNDER TITLE 14, SUBTITLE 3 OF THIS ARTICLE SHALL APPLY TO PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS ESTABLISHED UNDER THIS TITLE.

(C) (1) THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS MAY NOT APPROVE A PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT UNDER § 10A-203 OF THIS TITLE UNTIL THE REPORTING AGENCY, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF SMALL, MINORITY, AND WOMEN BUSINESS AFFAIRS, THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, AND THE PRIVATE ENTITY, IF PERMISSIBLE, ESTABLISHES REASONABLE AND APPROPRIATE MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PARTICIPATION GOALS AND PROCEDURES FOR THE PROJECT.

(2) TO THE EXTENT PRACTICABLE, GOALS AND PROCEDURES ESTABLISHED UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION SHALL BE BASED ON THE REQUIREMENTS OF TITLE 14, SUBTITLE 3 OF THIS ARTICLE, INCLUDING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF REGULATIONS ADOPTED UNDER §§ 14-302 AND 14-303 OF THIS ARTICLE.”.

On page 3, after line 2, insert:

“SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the certification agency designated by the Board of Public Works under § 14-303(b) of the State Finance and Procurement Article to certify and decertify minority business enterprises, in consultation with the Office of the Attorney General and the Governor's Office of Small, Minority, and Women Business Affairs, shall initiate an analysis of the Minority Business Enterprise Program requirements of § 10A-404 of the State Finance and Procurement Article and the disparity study submitted in accordance with this Act to evaluate compliance with the requirements of any federal and constitutional requirements and submit a report on the analysis to the Legislative Policy Committee of the General Assembly, in accordance with § 2-1257 of the State Government Article, on or before September 30, [2024] 2025.”.