

Maryland's MBE Program Legislative History

- House Bill 64, approved by Gov Blair Lee III, May 16, 1978
- 10% program goal
- Included Education, General Services, U of MD, Interagency Committee on Public School Construction (IAC) & MDOT construction contracts over \$100,000

1978

- House Bill 259, Gov Hughes reauthorized the MBE program
- Maintained the 10% goal

1983

- House Bill 1, Gov Schaffer, approved the recodification of MBE provisions to Section 14-302
- Goal remained at 10%

1988

- House Bill 1540, Gov Schaffer reauthorized the program
- Maintained the 10% goal

1990

- House Bill 717, Gov Glendening, reauthorized the program
- Goal increased to 14%

1995

- House Bill 287, Gov Glendening, extended the program
- Included MDOT construction contracts over \$50,000
- Maintained the 14% goal

2000

- House Bill 306, Gov Glendening, reauthorized the program
- Subgoals for construction contracts for African Americans and women
- Goal increased to 25%

2001

- House Bill 869, Gov Ehrlich, reauthorized the program
- Maintained the 25% goal

2006

- House Bill 456, Gov O'Malley reauthorized program
- Ethnic women can be certified as "woman" and "their ethnicity"
- Subgoals expanded to all groups
- Goal remained at 25%

2011

- House Bill 1370, Gov O'Malley reauthorized the program
- Required liquidated damages provision
- MBE primes can count a portion of their own work
- Goal increased to 29%

2012

2017 • Senate Bill 4, Gov Hogan, Jr. reauthorized the program
• Goal remained at 29%