





October 1, 2023

The Honorable Wes Moore Governor 100 State Circle Annapolis, Maryland 21401

The Honorable Bill Ferguson President of the Senate State House, H-107 100 State Circle Annapolis, Maryland 21401

The Honorable Adrienne A. Jones Speaker of the House of Delegates State House, H-101 100 State Circle Annapolis, Maryland 21401

RE: Report on Procurement – Minority Business Enterprises § 14-305(a)(1) (MSAR #14389)

Dear Governor Moore, President Ferguson, and Speaker Jones:

On April 21, 2022, the Maryland General Assembly enacted House Bill 389/Chapter 155 - Procurement -Minority Business Enterprises - Revisions, which requires the Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE) to report Minority Business Enterprise participation details to the Governor's Office of Small, Minority, and Women Business Affairs, and subject to § 2-1257 of the State Government Article, the Joint Committee on Fair Practices and Personnel Oversight. This Mandated State Agency Report, formerly identified as MSAR #14389 (§ 14-305(a)(1)), was repealed by House Bill 245/Chapter 145 - Minority Business Enterprise Program - Reporting during the 2023 legislative session. As a result of this legislation, MSDE will submit its data directly to the Governor's Office, rather than the Department of Legislative Services.

Should you have questions or need additional information, please contact Dr. Akilah Alleyne, Executive Director of Government Affairs, Education Policy, and External Relations, by phone at (410) 767-0504 or by email at akilah.alleyne@maryland.gov.

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