

# SENATE BILL 547

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By: **Senators King, Garagiola, Manno, Mathias, Middleton, Montgomery, Ramirez, and Robey**

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Assigned to: Finance

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **State Procurement – Banking Services Preference – Lend Local Act of 2011**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the State Treasurer, when deciding whether to  
4 designate or make an agreement with a financial institution to provide certain  
5 banking services to the State or an agency of the State, to consider whether the  
6 financial institution is incorporated under the laws of the State or is operating  
7 in the State with certain total assets; and generally relating to the procurement  
8 of banking services by the State.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
10 Article – State Finance and Procurement  
11 Section 6–201(a), (b), (e), and (f)  
12 Annotated Code of Maryland  
13 (2009 Replacement Volume and 2010 Supplement)

14 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
15 Article – State Finance and Procurement  
16 Section 6–203  
17 Annotated Code of Maryland  
18 (2009 Replacement Volume and 2010 Supplement)

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

21 **Article – State Finance and Procurement**

22 6–201.

23 (a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (b) "Banking institution" means an institution that is incorporated under the  
2 laws of the State as a State bank, trust company, or savings bank.

3 (e) "Financial institution" means:

4 (1) any banking institution;

5 (2) any national banking association;

6 (3) an institution that is incorporated under the laws of any other  
7 state as a bank; and

8 (4) an institution that is incorporated under the laws of this State or of  
9 the United States as a savings and loan association.

10 (f) "National banking association" means an institution that is incorporated  
11 under federal law as a bank.

12 6-203.

13 (a) The Treasurer shall give 15% of the weight of the decision to the  
14 standards established in this section in deciding whether to:

15 (1) designate a financial institution as a depository for State money  
16 under § 6-205 of this subtitle; and

17 (2) make an agreement with a financial institution for a banking  
18 service under § 6-229 of this subtitle.

19 (b) (1) The Treasurer shall consider whether the financial institution  
20 received a rating of "needs improvement" or "substantial noncompliance" in its most  
21 recent examination under the federal Community Reinvestment Act of 1977, P.L.  
22 Number 95-128.

23 (2) If a financial institution operates in a state other than Maryland,  
24 the Treasurer shall consider Maryland-specific information that is provided within  
25 the assessment area section of the Community Reinvestment Act report.

26 (c) (1) The Treasurer shall consider whether, during the previous 5 years,  
27 a court in Maryland has found, in a final adjudication, that a financial institution has  
28 violated any antidiscrimination statute or regulation.

29 (2) The Treasurer may consider whether, during the previous 5 years,  
30 a court outside Maryland has found, in a final adjudication, that a financial institution  
31 has violated any antidiscrimination statute or regulation.

1           (3) The Treasurer may determine how to assess a violation under  
2 paragraph (1) or (2) of this subsection if the violation was committed by:

3                   (i) an affiliate of the financial institution; or

4                   (ii) an entity acquired by the financial institution.

5           (d) The Treasurer shall consider whether the financial institution has  
6 demonstrated that during the previous 5 years, the financial institution has:

7                   (1) successfully made loans in Maryland through State or federal  
8 lending programs designed to assist small and minority-owned businesses;

9                   (2) had an active outreach program to assist small and  
10 minority-owned businesses through which the financial institution has made efforts  
11 in Maryland; and

12                   (3) established strategic partnerships in Maryland with entities whose  
13 mission is to provide technical assistance to small and minority-owned businesses.

14           **(E) THE TREASURER SHALL CONSIDER WHETHER THE FINANCIAL**  
15 **INSTITUTION IS:**

16                   **(1) INCORPORATED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE; OR**

17                   **(2) OPERATING IN THE STATE WITH TOTAL ASSETS OF LESS THAN**  
18 **\$5,000,000,000.**

19           SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
20 October 1, 2011.