

The House Committee on Governmental Affairs offers the following substitute to HB 863:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend Part 3 of Article 3 of Chapter 5 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia  
2 Annotated, relating to small business assistance relative to state purchasing, so as to provide  
3 for a small business set-aside program administered by the Department of Administrative  
4 Services under which state agencies would be required to make reasonable efforts to dedicate  
5 20 percent of their annual procurement contracts to projects and contracts involving Georgia  
6 small businesses; to provide for certification of small businesses; to provide for a small  
7 business directory; to provide for an annual reporting requirement; to provide for rules and  
8 regulations; to provide for definitions; to provide for a short title; to provide for related  
9 matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

11 **SECTION 1.**

12 This Act shall be known and may be cited as the "Georgia Small Business Set-Aside Act."



40 under the set-aside program. State agencies failing to set aside at least 20 percent of their  
41 annual procurement contracts for small businesses, as provided for under subsection (b) of  
42 this Code section, shall submit a corrective action plan to the department.

43 (e) The department shall develop rules and regulations necessary to implement and enforce  
44 the provisions of this Code section. The department is authorized to conduct training  
45 sessions and provide resources to assist small businesses in navigating state procurement  
46 opportunities under the set-aside program. Reserved."

47 **SECTION 3.**

48 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.