

Recommendations

1. Ask DGS to respond to pending questions from the State Auditor regarding what, if any, savings the state continues to accrue from Strategic Sourcing, or contract bundling.
2. DGS should develop and report back to the committee by Jan. 31 a plan to ensure the reporting and collection of accurate and complete data from all state agencies and departments on the level of small business and DVBE participation in state contracts.
3. To enable a meaningful cost-benefit analysis, DGS should identify projected savings before renewing or issuing new strategically sourced, or bundled statewide contracts.
4. To enable a meaningful cost-benefit analysis, DGS also should identify potential impacts on small and disabled veteran businesses before renewing or issuing new strategically sourced, or bundled statewide contracts.
5. DGS should report back to the committee by Jan. 31, steps that it will take to improve compliance monitoring and enforcement of the commercially useful function law.