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**FISCAL NOTE**

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House Bill 1213 (Delegate Guns, *et al.*)

Commerce and Government Matters

Economic and Environmental Affairs

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**State Veterans' Cemetery at Bainbridge**

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This bill requires the Maryland Veterans' Commission and the Maryland Department of Veterans Affairs to study the feasibility of establishing a veterans' cemetery on the grounds of the former Bainbridge Naval Training Center in Cecil County. The study must include:

- the projected cost for the State to acquire land located on the former Bainbridge Naval Training Center from the Bainbridge Development Corporation;
- the likelihood of approval of a transfer of the land for a veterans' cemetery at Bainbridge by the Bainbridge Development Corporation;
- the likelihood of approval of an acquisition of the land for a veterans' cemetery by the Cecil County Commissioners, the county delegation, and the Board of Public Works;
- the availability of federal funds to pay for developing the buildings and facilities for a veterans' cemetery;
- the projected costs of maintaining a veterans' cemetery;
- the impact of the acquisition of the land on the proposed future mixed use development of the former Bainbridge Naval Training Center; and
- the projected levels of use of any veterans' cemetery built at Bainbridge.

The study results must be presented to the appropriate committees of the General Assembly and members of the Cecil County delegation by November 30, 2001.

The bill is effective July 1, 2001.

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## **Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** The establishment of a feasibility study could be handled with existing resources.

**Local Effect:** None.

**Small Business Effect:** None.

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## **Analysis**

**Background:** There are five veterans' cemeteries in Maryland. The Bainbridge Naval Training Center ceased operations in 1976.

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## **Additional Information**

**Prior Introductions:** None.

**Cross File:** None.

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