

# SENATE BILL 119

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By: ~~Senator Simonaire~~ Senators Simonaire, Peters, Astle, Benson, Feldman,  
Hershey, Jennings, Kelley, Klausmeier, Mathias, Middleton, Pugh, and  
Reilly

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## CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Business Regulation – Business Discounts and Preferences for Veterans –**  
3 **Identification**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring certain businesses that offer discounts or preferences on  
5 products or services to veterans to accept a valid driver's license or identification  
6 card with a certain notation as verification of veteran status for purposes of claiming  
7 the discount or preference; ~~establishing a certain penalty~~; and generally relating to  
8 business-offered discounts and preferences for veterans.

9 BY adding to  
10 Article – Business Regulation  
11 Section 19–104  
12 Annotated Code of Maryland  
13 (2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

16 **Article – Business Regulation**

17 **19–104.**

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



1        ~~(A)~~ A BUSINESS REGISTERED WITH THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF  
 2 ASSESSMENTS AND TAXATION THAT OFFERS A DISCOUNT OR PREFERENCE ON  
 3 PRODUCTS OR SERVICES TO VETERANS SHALL ACCEPT A VALID DRIVER'S LICENSE  
 4 OR IDENTIFICATION CARD ISSUED UNDER § 12-302 OF THE TRANSPORTATION  
 5 ARTICLE THAT INCLUDES A NOTATION OF VETERAN STATUS AS VERIFICATION OF  
 6 THE VETERAN STATUS OF THE HOLDER OF THE DRIVER'S LICENSE OR  
 7 IDENTIFICATION CARD FOR PURPOSES OF CLAIMING THE DISCOUNT OR  
 8 PREFERENCE.

9        ~~(B) A PERSON WHO VIOLATES THIS SECTION IS SUBJECT TO A CIVIL~~  
 10 ~~PENALTY OF \$100 FOR EACH OFFENSE.~~

11        SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
 12 October 1, 2016.

Approved:

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Governor.

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President of the Senate.

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Speaker of the House of Delegates.