

SENATE BILL 119

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By: **Senator Simonaire**

Introduced and read first time: January 15, 2016

Assigned to: Finance

A BILL ENTITLED

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.**

18 **(A) A BUSINESS REGISTERED WITH THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF**
19 **ASSESSMENTS AND TAXATION THAT OFFERS A DISCOUNT OR PREFERENCE ON**
20 **PRODUCTS OR SERVICES TO VETERANS SHALL ACCEPT A VALID DRIVER’S LICENSE**
21 **OR IDENTIFICATION CARD ISSUED UNDER § 12–302 OF THE TRANSPORTATION**
22 **ARTICLE THAT INCLUDES A NOTATION OF VETERAN STATUS AS VERIFICATION OF**
23 **THE VETERAN STATUS OF THE HOLDER OF THE DRIVER’S LICENSE OR**
24 **IDENTIFICATION CARD FOR PURPOSES OF CLAIMING THE DISCOUNT OR**
25 **PREFERENCE.**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 **(B) A PERSON WHO VIOLATES THIS SECTION IS SUBJECT TO A CIVIL**
2 **PENALTY OF \$100 FOR EACH OFFENSE.**

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