HOUSE BILL 1542

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Assigned to: Economic Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1	AN ACT concerning
2 3	Department of Commerce – Employment in the State's Defense Industry – Army Alliance Study
4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11	FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Commerce, in conjunction with the Department of Veterans Affairs and the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation, to conduct a study on employment in the State's defense industry; specifying the minimum requirements of the study; requiring the Department of Commerce to consult with certain entities; requiring the Department of Commerce to report, on or before a certain date, to the General Assembly on the findings of the study; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to a study on employment in the State's defense industry.
12	Preamble
13 14	WHEREAS, The State is home to 12 major military installations and 20 military facilities; and
15 16 17	WHEREAS, The State is also home to a number of defense industry organizations that, as major employers, provide substantial economic benefit to the State, accounting for almost one–fifth of the Maryland economy; and
18 19	WHEREAS, The workforce required to support these organizations, both public and private, is highly specialized and often requires a security clearance; and
20 21 22	WHEREAS, The personal income tax structure of the State may affect the availability of qualified employees for the State's defense industry, including employees with experience in cybersecurity matters; now, therefore,
23	SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,

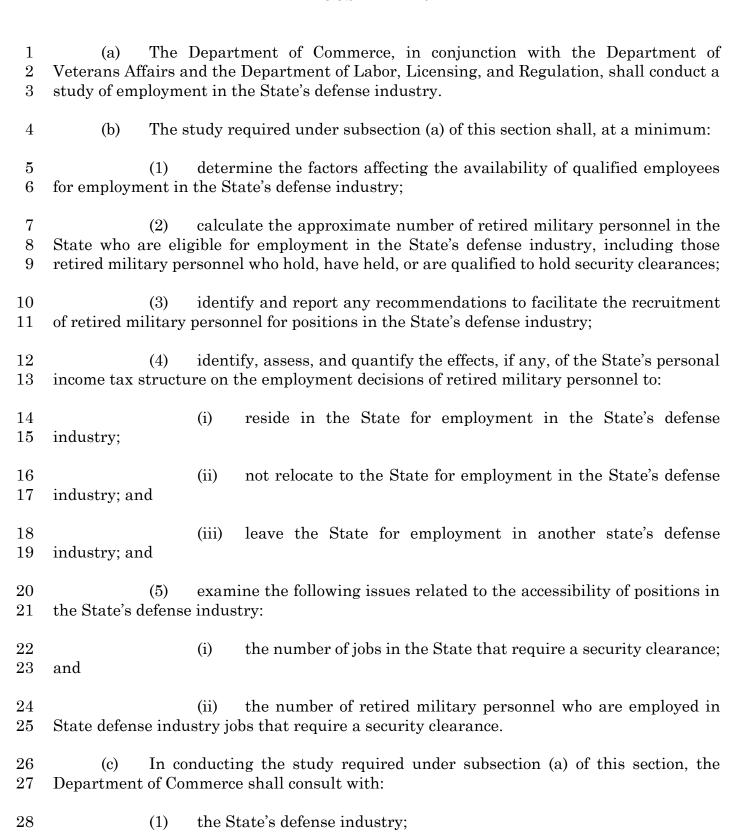
EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

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That:





29 (2) State employers who employ individuals in positions where a security 30 clearance is required;

1 public-private partnerships that serve to support military installations (3) 2 in the State; 3 **(4)** nonprofit organizations that exist to support the mission of military installations in the State: and 4 5 nonprofit associations that serve to support retired military personnel. (5)6 (d) On or before December 31, 2018, the Department of Commerce shall report to 7 the General Assembly, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, the findings of the study required under subsection (a) of this section. 8 9 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2018. It shall remain effective for a period of 1 year and, at the end of June 30, 2019, this 10

Act, with no further action required by the General Assembly, shall be abrogated and of no

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further force and effect.