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STATEMENT IN SUPPORT OF HOUSE BILL 0593 HIGHER EDUCATION — ANNUAL REVENUES OF FOR-PROFIT

INSTITUTIONS – LIMITATION ON ENROLLMENT
(VETERANS' EDUCATION PROTECTION ACT)

Chairwoman McIntosh, Vice Chairman Jackson and distinguished members of the Maryland House Appropriations Committee...

The American Legion Department of Maryland fully supports the position taken in HB 593 in order to fiscally protect veterans and their families from zealous for-profit educational institutions.

Controversy has swelled around the for-profit education during the past few years to the point the U.S. Department of Education had to reverse itself from a previous favorable position and reimburse thousands of students for excessive fees.

We firmly believe the veteran and family members needs protection from some institutions who have created a blemish on this industry.

The cap on governmental funds at ten percent (10%) will be a favorable step to limiting the school's ability to recruit students not versed in their practices.

The American Legion representing over 45,000 members and their families respectfully request a favorable report from the House Appropriations on HB 593. Thank you, and

Yours, respectfully

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