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SUPPORT SENATE BILL 341

January 23, 2020

Chairman Paul G. Pinsky and Members of the
Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee
2 West, Miller Senate Office Building
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Dear Chairman Pinsky and Members of the Committee:

The Montgomery County Chapter is one of 8 active MOAA chapters in Maryland. We operate as a nonpartisan advocate organization on behalf of the uniformed services community on issues of concern in Maryland.

SB341 clarifies the eligibility for access to a Maryland veterans home or homes to all honorably discharged members of the "uniformed services," vice just the "armed forces," and follows the Maryland definition of "veteran" found in the General Provisions of the Maryland Code, Section 1-117.

The members of this active MOAA chapter strongly **SUPPORT SENATE BILL 341** and ask the Committee to report a **Favorable** recommendation as the bill progresses through the legislative process.

Thank you for supporting Maryland Veterans!

Most sincerely yours,

Captain David H. Peterson, NOAA (Ret)
President, Montgomery County Chapter

Cc:
Senator Melony Griffith
The American Legion Department of Maryland