



# NOFA

**NOAA Officers'**  
Family Association

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 NOAA Officer Family Association (NOFA) is an organization representing the interests of the families of all NOAA Corps active duty and retired officers. The DC Branch serves the community in Maryland. Our focus is nonpartisan in nature and attentive to issues of local concern.

**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 Branch Board of Directors and local NOFA members **SUPPORT SENATE BILL 341**. We ask the Committee to report a **Favorable** recommendation as the bill progresses through the legislative process.

Thank you for supporting Maryland Veterans!

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Amy Crocker".

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