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## HB 563 Local Government – Animal Control Facilities – Adoption Fee Waiver for Veterans (Pets for Vets Act of 2021)

- Delegate Bob Long on the record to present HB 563
- This bill would waiver the adoption fee for veterans at an animal shelters.
- According to the Department of Veteran Affairs, 15% of veterans experience Veteran's heart in a given year.
- This is a win-win as our veterans help give an animal a home and the animal gives our veterans a companion.
- Sen. Simonaire had this same bill that has passed the Senate last year but it ran out time here as a result of COVID.