

SB 48 - Department of General Services - Identification Cards - Veteran Status Notation

Position: Support

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The Maryland Department of General Services (DGS) supports Senate Bill 48.

DGS supports Senate Bill 48, a bill to authorize the issuance of State identification cards with an annotation indicating that the cardholder is a veteran. The legislation clearly specifies the standards for certification of veteran status, and provides for departmental discretion in implementing the bill in accordance with adopted regulations and procedures. In addition, DGS has identified no fiscal impact related to implementing the bill.

Importantly, the bill is also intended to facilitate connecting veterans with State and federal services for which they are eligible.

For these reasons, DGS requests a favorable report on SB 48.

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