

SB 215 – 2025 Military Revisions

I am Senator Bryan Simonaire presenting **SB 215**.

This is a cleanup bill from last year's Military Modernization bill that I worked with Departments and advocates with **no opposition**.

Last year we passed an 8-bill legislative package to modernize, standardize and centralize our Maryland military laws.

The package passed, but there were other bills that were also passed that did not have these revisions as they weren't law yet; therefore, this bill brings those other laws up to the standards adopted by the legislative package last year.

There were a couple other minor changes addressed in this bill that weren't updated in last year's package as well.

The bill does 3 main things:

1. It updates state govt article to reflect the changes in the Transportation Article last year related to the **non-combat medals** for license plates;
2. It centralizes the definition of "***Military Protective Order***" in the State Govt Article that are referenced in several Articles; and
3. There were other bills that **passed last year** without having the modernization updates, so this updates those sections to the new standards.

For all these reasons, I ask for your favorable consideration.