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CHAPTER

1 AN ACT concerning

## 2 **World War II Memorial Fund**

- 3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Governor to include a certain amount in the State
- budget of a certain fiscal year to the Department of Veterans Affairs, to be
- 5 donated by the Department to the World War II Memorial Fund; and generally
- relating to the World War II Memorial Fund. 6

7 Preamble

- 8 WHEREAS, Currently, there exists no national memorial dedicated to those
- United States citizens who served during World War II; and
- WHEREAS, Sixteen million people served in the Armed Forces of the U.S.
- during World War II, including 250,000 residents of Maryland; and
- WHEREAS, 406,000 Americans died fighting for their country during World 12
- 13 War II; and
- 14 WHEREAS, The citizens of the United States contributed and sacrificed as a
- 15 nation to support the troops abroad; and
- 16 WHEREAS, A national World War II Memorial Fund has been established to
- 17 raise money for the construction of the first World War II Memorial in the United
- 18 States; and

- WHEREAS, The citizens of Maryland will have a unique opportunity to enjoy
- 2 the benefits of the Memorial, due to the close proximity of its future location,
- 3 Washington, D.C.; and
- 4 WHEREAS, The citizens of all states deserve to create a lasting reminder of
- 5 friends and family members who gave their lives in World War II so that future
- 6 generations might be free; now, therefore,
- 7 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
- 8 MARYLAND, That the Governor shall appropriate \$250,000 in the State budget for
- 9 fiscal year 2001 to the Department of Veterans Affairs. The Department shall donate
- 10 the appropriation to the World War II Memorial Fund located at 2300 Clarendon
- 11 Boulevard, Suite 501, Arlington, Virginia 22201.
- 12 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
- 13 July 1, 2000.