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**FISCAL NOTE**

House Bill 341 (Delegates Crouse and Wood)  
 Commerce and Government Matters Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

**Maryland National Guard - Active Service - September 11th Service Bar**

This bill provides Maryland National Guard members who are ordered into active service in response to the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks a service bar to be worn on their uniforms in recognition of their service.

**Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** General fund expenditures would increase by \$6,000 in FY 2003 only. Revenues would not be affected.

(in dollars)	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007
Revenues	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
GF Expenditure	6,000	0	0	0	0
Net Effect	(\$6,000)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

*Note:() = decrease; GF = general funds; FF = federal funds; SF = special funds; - = indeterminate effect*

**Local Effect:** None.

**Small Business Effect:** None.

**Analysis**

**Current Law:** There is no service bar provided to Maryland National Guard members who are called into active service in response to the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks.

**Background:** It is common practice for military organizations to issue service bars for individuals who have served in conflicts or have participated in other significant military events as recognition for their service to their country.

**State Fiscal Effect:** The Maryland Military Department advises that 2,029 members of the Maryland National Guard have been called into service in response to the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks and would be eligible to receive a service bar. Additional guard members could be called into active service at a later date. Maryland National Guard members have been participating in activities such as security patrols in the State's airports and reconnaissance flights over Maryland airspace. The Maryland Military Department advises that it would cost \$6,000 to design and produce 2,400 service bars.

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### **Additional Information**

**Prior Introductions:** None.

**Cross File:** None.

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