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Maryland General Assembly  
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**FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE**

Senate Joint Resolution 3 (Senator Green, *et al.*)

Budget and Taxation

Rules and Executive Nominations

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**Compensation to Families of Military Service Members Who Gave Their Lives  
in the Service of Our Country**

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This joint resolution urges the President and the U.S. Congress to adequately compensate the families of service members who were killed in the service of the U.S.

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**Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** Compliance with this joint resolution would not affect State revenues or expenditures.

**Local Effect:** None.

**Small Business Effect:** None.

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**Analysis**

**Background:** The U.S. Department of Defense indicates that as of January 26, 2006, 2,240 American service members have been killed in Operation Iraqi Freedom and 255 have been killed in Operation Enduring Freedom. Operation Iraqi Freedom includes casualties that occurred in Iraq, but could include casualties in other areas such as Bahrain, Kuwait, the Persian Gulf, and Saudi Arabia on or after March 19, 2003. Operation Enduring Freedom includes casualties in Afghanistan, Pakistan, and Uzbekistan; as well as other areas such as Guantanamo Bay (Cuba), Turkey, and Yemen.

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## **Additional Information**

**Prior Introductions:** A similar resolution, SJ 4, was introduced during the 2005 legislative session. The resolution received a favorable report by the Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee, and passed the Senate. The resolution was not reported out of the House Rules and Executive Nominations Committee.

**Cross File:** None.

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