# **SENATE BILL 415**

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## A BILL ENTITLED

#### 1 AN ACT concerning

#### 2 State Government – Commemorative Month – Hispanic Heritage Month

- FOR the purpose of requiring the Governor to proclaim a certain period each year as
  Hispanic Heritage Month; requiring the proclamation to urge certain
  organizations to observe the month with certain activities; and generally
  relating to Hispanic Heritage Month.
- 7 BY adding to
- 8 Article State Government
- 9 Section 13–503
- 10 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 11 (2009 Replacement Volume)
- 12 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF 13 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
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#### Article – State Government

15 **13–503.** 

16 (A) IN RECOGNITION OF THE CONTRIBUTIONS THAT HISPANICS HAVE 17 MADE TO THE STATE, THE GOVERNOR SHALL PROCLAIM THE MONTH FROM 18 SEPTEMBER 15 TO OCTOBER 15, BOTH INCLUSIVE, EACH YEAR AS HISPANIC 19 HERITAGE MONTH.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW. [Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



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### 1 (B) THE PROCLAMATION SHALL URGE EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL 2 ORGANIZATIONS TO OBSERVE HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH PROPERLY WITH 3 APPROPRIATE PROGRAMS, CEREMONIES, AND ACTIVITIES.

4 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 5 July 1, 2010.