SENATE BILL 415

By: **Senators Mooney, Raskin, Madaleno, Colburn, Currie, Della, Dyson, Forehand, Frosh, Garagiola, Haines, Harrington, Jacobs, Kelley, King, Kittleman, Lenett, Middleton, Munson, Muse, Peters, Pugh, Rosapepe, Simonaire, ~~and Zirkin~~ <u>Zirkin, Conway, Harris, and Reilly</u>**

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

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

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Governor to proclaim a certain period each year as
4 Hispanic Heritage Month; requiring the proclamation to urge certain
5 organizations to observe the month with certain activities; and generally
6 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:

14 **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**

EXPLANATION: **CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.**

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

<u>Underlining</u> indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.

1   **SEPTEMBER 15 TO OCTOBER 15, BOTH INCLUSIVE, EACH YEAR AS HISPANIC**
2   **HERITAGE MONTH.**

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

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

Approved:

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                                                                        Governor.

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                                                          President of the Senate.

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                                                  Speaker of the House of Delegates.