

HOUSE BILL 146

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Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **State Government – Commemorative Days – Ronald Reagan Day**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Governor annually to proclaim a certain day as
4 Ronald Reagan Day; requiring the proclamation to urge the citizens of the State
5 of Maryland to observe Ronald Reagan Day in a proper manner; and generally
6 relating to commemorative days.

7 BY adding to

8 Article – State Government

9 Section 13–410

10 Annotated Code of Maryland

11 (2009 Replacement Volume and 2010 Supplement)

12 Preamble

13 WHEREAS, President Ronald Wilson Reagan, a man of humble background,
14 worked throughout his life serving freedom and advancing the public good as an
15 entertainer, union leader, corporate spokesman, Governor of California, and President
16 of the United States; and

17 WHEREAS, President Reagan served with honor and distinction for two terms
18 as the 40th President of the United States and was elected to a second term by
19 winning the confidence of 60% of the electorate and was victorious in 49 of the 50
20 states in the general election, including the State of Maryland; and

21 WHEREAS, In 1981, when President Reagan was inaugurated, he inherited a
22 disillusioned nation shackled by rampant inflation and high unemployment; and

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 WHEREAS, During his presidency, President Reagan worked in a bipartisan
2 manner to enact his bold agenda of restoring accountability and common sense to
3 government which lead to an unprecedented economic expansion and opportunity for
4 millions of Americans; and

5 WHEREAS, President Reagan's commitment to our armed forces contributed to
6 the restoration of pride in the United States, her values and those cherished by the
7 free world, and prepared the armed forces of the United States to meet the challenges
8 of the 21st century; and

9 WHEREAS, President Reagan's vision of "peace through strength" led to the
10 end of the Cold War and the ultimate demise of the Soviet Union, guaranteeing basic
11 human rights for millions of people; and

12 WHEREAS, February 6, 2011, will be the 100th anniversary of President
13 Reagan's birth and the seventh since his passing; now, therefore,

14 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
15 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

16 **Article – State Government**

17 **13-410.**

18 **(A) THE GOVERNOR ANNUALLY SHALL PROCLAIM FEBRUARY 6 AS**
19 **RONALD REAGAN DAY.**

20 **(B) THE PROCLAMATION SHALL URGE ALL CITIZENS OF THE STATE OF**
21 **MARYLAND TO OBSERVE RONALD REAGAN DAY IN A PROPER MANNER.**

22 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
23 October 1, 2011.