SENATE BILL 124

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ENROLLED BILL

- Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs / Health and Government Operations -

Introduced by Senator Astle Senators Astle, Conway, Dyson, Benson, Ferguson, Jennings, Montgomery, Pinsky, Reilly, Rosapepe, Simonaire, and Young

Read and Examined by Proofreaders:

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Sealed with the Great Seal and	presented to the Governor,	for his approval this
day of	at	_ o'clock,M.
		President.
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1 AN ACT concerning

Flag Display on State House Grounds - Honor and Remember and POW/MIA Flags POW/MIA Flag and a Flag to Honor and Remember Individuals Who Died in the Line of Duty

 $\mathbf{5}$ FOR the purpose of requiring that the Honor and Remember flag a certain flag be 6 flown on the State House grounds on certain days each year; altering the days 7 on which the POW/MIA flag is to be flown on State House grounds; requiring 8 the State House Trust to determine the site on the State House grounds where 9 the Honor and Remember a certain flag will be flown; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the display of the Honor and Remember and 10 **POW/MIA flags** POW/MIA flag and a flag to honor and remember individuals 11 12who died in the line of duty on the State House grounds.

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.

Italics indicate opposite chamber/conference committee amendments



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BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments, Article – State Government Section 13–205 Annotated Code of Maryland (2009 Replacement Volume and 2010 Supplement)		
SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:		
Article – State Government		
13–205.		
(a) (1) In this section[,] THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.		
(2) "FLAG TO HONOR AND REMEMBER MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES WHO DIED IN THE LINE OF DUTY" MEANS:		
(I) <u>A FLAG CREATED BY HONOR AND REMEMBER, INC.; OR</u>		
(II) THE FLAG DESIGNATED BY THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS AS THE OFFICIAL SYMBOL TO HONOR AND REMEMBER MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES WHO DIED IN THE LINE OF DUTY.		
(2) (3) "POW/MIA flag" means the POW/MIA flag of the National League of Families of American Prisoners and Missing in Southeast Asia.		
(3) "HONOR AND REMEMBER FLAG" MEANS THE HONOR AND REMEMBER FLAG CREATED BY HONOR AND REMEMBER, INC., AND DESIGNATED BY THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS AS THE OFFICIAL SYMBOL TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES WHO DIED IN THE LINE OF DUTY.		
(b) (1) Each SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, EACH year, the POW/MIA flag AND THE HONOR AND REMEMBER FLAG <u>A FLAG TO</u> HONOR AND REMEMBER MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES WHO DIED IN THE LINE OF DUTY shall be flown on the State House grounds on:		
(1) (1) THE THIRD SATURDAY IN MAY, FOR ARMED FORCES DAY;		
(2) (11) May 30, for Memorial Day;		

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[(2)] (3) <u>(III)</u> the day that the United States Congress designates for the observance of Memorial Day if other than May 30;

1 [(3)] (4) (IV) the Saturday and Sunday that are closest to May 30, 2 unless the United States Congress designates another day for the observance of 3 Memorial Day, in which case, the Saturday and Sunday that are closest to the day 4 designated by the United States Congress;

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(5) (V) JULY 4, FOR INDEPENDENCE DAY;

6 [(4)] (6) (VI) the third Friday in September, for POW/MIA 7 Recognition Day;

8 [(5)] (7) <u>(VII)</u> November 11, for Veterans' Day;

9 [(6)] (8) (VIII) the day that the United States Congress designates 10 for the observance of Veterans' Day if other than November 11; and

11 [(7)] (9) (IX) the Saturday and Sunday that are closest to 12 November 11, unless the United States Congress designates another day for the 13 observance of Veterans' Day, in which case, the Saturday and Sunday that are closest 14 to the day designated by the United States Congress.

15(2)IF THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS DESIGNATES A FLAG AS16THE OFFICIAL SYMBOL TO HONOR AND REMEMBER MEMBERS OF THE ARMED17FORCES WHO DIED IN THE LINE OF DUTY, THE FLAG DESIGNATED BY CONGRESS18SHALL BE FLOWN IN ACCORDANCE WITH PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION.

19 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the State House Trust 20 shall determine the site on the State House grounds where the Honor and Remember 21 flag a flag to honor and remember members of the armed forces who died in the line of 22 duty will be flown as required by § 13–205 of the State Government Article, as enacted 23 by Section 1 of this Act.

24 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 25 July 1, 2011.

Approved:

Governor.

President of the Senate.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.