

# HOUSE BILL 1435

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EMERGENCY BILL

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CF SB 1076

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By: Delegates Stukes and ~~Mitchell~~, Mitchell, Bromwell, Donoghue, Kach, Morhaim, Nathan-Pulliam, Oaks, Pena-Melnyk, Pendergrass, and Tarrant

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## CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Maryland Veterans Commission – Membership – Revision**

3 FOR the purpose of altering the composition of the Maryland Veterans Commission;  
4 making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to the  
5 membership of the Maryland Veterans Commission.

6 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
7 Article – State Government  
8 Section 9–915  
9 Annotated Code of Maryland  
10 (2009 Replacement Volume and 2011 Supplement)

11 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
12 Article – State Government  
13 Section 9–917(a)  
14 Annotated Code of Maryland  
15 (2009 Replacement Volume and 2011 Supplement)

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

18 **Article – State Government**

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

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



1 9–915.

2 In this Part II of this subtitle, “Commission” means the Maryland Veterans  
3 Commission.

4 9–917.

5 (a) (1) The Commission consists of 28 members appointed by the  
6 Governor.

7 (2) Of the members:

8 (i) 1 shall be appointed from each of the 8 congressional  
9 districts in the State;

10 (ii) 1 shall be a veteran appointed from the State at large;

11 (iii) 1 shall be a woman veteran appointed from the State at  
12 large;

13 (iv) 1 shall be a representative of a retired enlisted organization;  
14 and

15 (v) 1 shall be appointed from a list of individuals submitted to  
16 the Governor by each of the following organizations:

17 1. the American Ex–Prisoners of War, Inc.;

18 2. the American Legion;

19 3. the Amvets;

20 4. the Catholic War Veterans;

21 5. the Disabled American Veterans;

22 6. the Fleet Reserve Association;

23 7. the Jewish War Veterans;

24 8. the Marine Corps League;

25 9. the Maryland Military Officers Association of  
26 America;

27 10. the Military Order of the Purple Heart;

- 1                   11.    the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association;
- 2                   12.    the Polish Legion of American Veterans;
- 3                   13.    the Veterans of Foreign Wars;
- 4                   14.    the Vietnam Veterans of America;
- 5                   15.    the Korean War Veterans Association, Inc.;
- 6                   16.    the [Black Veterans of All Wars, Inc.] **NATIONAL**
- 7 **ASSOCIATION FOR BLACK VETERANS;** and
- 8                   17.    the Colonial Chapter of the Paralyzed Veterans of
- 9 America.

10           SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act ~~shall take effect~~  
 11 ~~October 1, 2012~~ is an emergency measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation  
 12 of the public health or safety, has been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by  
 13 three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General  
 14 Assembly, and shall take effect from the date it is enacted.

Approved:

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Governor.

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Speaker of the House of Delegates.

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President of the Senate.