

# SENATE BILL 289

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Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Higher Education – Veterans of the Afghanistan and Iraq Conflicts Scholarship**  
3 **– Altering Name of Scholarship**

4 FOR the purpose of altering the name of the Veterans of the Afghanistan and Iraq Conflicts  
5 Scholarship to be the Douglas J. J. Peters Veterans of the Afghanistan and Iraq  
6 Conflicts Scholarship; and generally relating to the Veterans of the Afghanistan and  
7 Iraq Conflicts Scholarship.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
9 Article – Education  
10 Section 18–604(b) and (k)  
11 Annotated Code of Maryland  
12 (2022 Replacement Volume)

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

15 **Article – Education**

16 18–604.

17 (b) There is a **DOUGLAS J. J. PETERS** Veterans of the Afghanistan and Iraq  
18 Conflicts Scholarship.

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (k) (1) Funds for the **DOUGLAS J. J. PETERS** Veterans of the Afghanistan  
2 and Iraq Conflicts Scholarship shall be as provided in the annual budget of the Commission  
3 by the Governor.

4 (2) (i) In this subsection, “Fund” means the **DOUGLAS J. J. PETERS**  
5 Veterans of the Afghanistan and Iraq Conflicts Scholarship Fund.

6 (ii) There is a **DOUGLAS J. J. PETERS** Veterans of the Afghanistan  
7 and Iraq Conflicts Scholarship Fund in the Commission.

8 (iii) The Commission shall administer the Fund.

9 (iv) The Fund is a special, nonlapsing fund that is not subject to §  
10 7–302 of the State Finance and Procurement Article.

11 (v) The State Treasurer shall hold the Fund separately and the  
12 Comptroller shall account for the Fund.

13 (vi) The Commission:

14 1. May accept any gift or grant from any person or  
15 corporation for the Fund;

16 2. Shall use any gift or grant that it receives for a scholarship  
17 from the Fund; and

18 3. Shall deposit any gift or grant that it receives for the Fund  
19 with the State Treasurer.

20 (3) (i) At the end of the fiscal year, the Commission shall prepare an  
21 annual report on the Fund that includes an accounting of all financial receipts and  
22 expenditures to and from the Fund.

23 (ii) The Commission shall submit a copy of the report to the General  
24 Assembly as provided under § 2–1257 of the State Government Article.

25 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July  
26 1, 2023.