

**SB0413/553427/1**

BY: Senator Simonaire

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 413  
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, after line 28, insert:

“BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings  
Section 5–642  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(2020 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
Article – Health – General  
Section 5–508(a)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(2023 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
Article – Health – General  
Section 5–508(b), (e), (g), (j), and (k)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(2023 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 20, after line 3, insert:

**“Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings**

5–642.

(a) In this section, “veteran” has the meaning stated in § 9–901 of the State Government Article.

(b) A licensed funeral establishment or holder of a permit to engage in the business of a crematory who acts in good faith is not civilly liable for transferring the unclaimed cremated remains of a veteran or an eligible dependent of a veteran to a veterans service organization for purposes of disposition as provided in [§ 5–803 of the Business Regulation Article and] § 7–406 of the Health Occupations Article.

(c) A veterans service organization that acts in good faith is not civilly liable for receiving the unclaimed cremated remains of a veteran or an eligible dependent of a veteran for purposes of disposition as provided in [§ 5–803 of the Business Regulation Article and] § 7–406 of the Health Occupations Article.

#### Article – Health – General

5–508.

(a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.

(b) “Alkaline hydrolysis” has the meaning stated in [§ 5–101 of the Business Regulation] § 7–101 OF THE HEALTH OCCUPATIONS Article.

(e) “Crematory” has the meaning stated in [§ 5–101 of the Business Regulation] § 7–101 OF THE HEALTH OCCUPATIONS Article.

(g) “Natural organic reduction” has the meaning stated in [§ 5–101 of the Business Regulation] § 7–101 OF THE HEALTH OCCUPATIONS Article.

(j) “Reduction facility” has the meaning stated in [§ 5–101 of the Business Regulation] § 7–101 OF THE HEALTH OCCUPATIONS Article.

(k) “Soil remains” has the meaning stated in [§ 5–101 of the Business Regulation] § 7–101 OF THE HEALTH OCCUPATIONS Article.”.