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**STATEMENT OF SUPPORT FOR  
SENATE BILL 0142 NATURAL RESOURCES – RECREATIONAL LICENSE DONATION PROGRAM  
and  
HEALING HUNTING and FISHING FUND – REVISIONS**

Chairman Pensky and distinguished members of the Education, Health and Environmental Affairs Committee.

The American Legion Department of Maryland believes Senate Bill 142 is a vital measure to aid in the rehabilitation of disabled veterans, some injured in wartime conditions, recover to become a whole person and be a valued contributor to his or her community.

We fully supported the predecessor to SB 142 in 2019. The revisions contained in SB 2019 will make it easier for sponsoring organizations to fulfill their mission in aiding those who seek programs to improve their lives.

One such organization is The American Legion Dor-Wic Post 218 in Sharptown, Maryland. Monthly, it escorts disabled veterans out to waterways in the Southeastern Shore for a day of fishing and camaraderie. Not having donated funds for fishing licenses won't deter the program but having it as an added means of support will enable Post 218 to better serve its veteran community.

In closing, we ask you, the members of the Senate Health, Education and Environmental Affairs to offer a favorable report on Senate Bill 142. Thank you.

Yours, respectfully

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