

THE AMERICAN LEGION

Department of Maryland Legislative Committee

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Chair Feldman, Vice Chair Kagan and Distinguished Members of the Education, Energy and Environment Committee

The American Legion with Posts in the 23 Maryland Counties and Baltimore City is a strong proponent of therapeutic programs for our injured warriors who have served this nation in conflicts worldwide. We strongly support Senate Bill 911.

We have units adjacent to waterways throughout the State particularly on the Eastern Shore who conduct programs to benefit disabled veterans. Our unit in Salisbury take wounded former military on excursions for fishing and camaraderie. SB 911 exempting licensing and stamps would greatly benefit this program and, perhaps, encourage other Posts along with other Veteran Service Organizations to develop similar efforts.

With those thoughts in mind The American Legion Department of Maryland formally requests a favorable report on Senate Bill 911 and thank Senator Simonaire for his continual support of veterans and their families.

Most respectfully,

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