

TO: Chair Luke Clippinger Judiciary Committee

FROM: Maryland Veterans Caucus, House Membership

DATE: February 20, 2024

RE: **HB1316- Real Property – Holding Over – Expedited Hearing and Service of Summons for Active Duty Service Member**

The Maryland Veterans Caucus, House Membership respectfully requests a favorable report on HB1316-Real Property – Holding Over – Expedited Hearing and Service of Summons for Active Duty Service Member

This bill was sponsored by Delegate Brian Chisholm for the purpose of requiring a District Court to hold a hearing on a tenant holding over within 30 days after a landlord makes a complaint if the landlord or the landlord's spouse is on active duty with the United States military; and authorizing a licensed private detective agency to serve a summons if the constable or sheriff fails to serve the summons within 10 days after the summons is issued by the court.

The Veterans Caucus mission is to study, develop, and promote legislation designed to improve the quality of life for veterans in the State of Maryland in the areas of employment, education, economics, training, and health. And to assist the Maryland Department of Veterans Affairs in achieving its mission and goals, on behalf of the veterans in the State.

The Veterans Caucus Legislative Review Board offers and <u>recommends support and a</u> favorable report of HB1316.

Thank you,

Delegate Mike Rogers

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House Chair, Veterans Caucus