

## **Favorable Report Requested**

Senate Bill 242 – Modernizing Civil Relief for Service Members Act modernizes Maryland’s occupational and professional licensing framework for active service members, their spouses, and eligible veterans. The bill authorizes qualifying individuals to practice in Maryland under a valid out-of-state license during the duration of military orders, provided the license is in good standing and no disciplinary action is pending.

It establishes a new Subtitle 14A in the State Government Article, creates a uniform application and verification process, allows temporary licensure when verification exceeds 30 days, and expands eligibility definitions for veterans. The bill harmonizes licensing recognition across multiple State codes while preserving regulatory oversight and public safety safeguards.

For municipalities and communities, this legislation strengthens workforce continuity and reduces administrative barriers caused by military relocation. For these reasons, a favorable report is respectfully requested.

### **Respectfully submitted,**

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