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**Senate Bill 301 - Veterans' Discounts Act
SUPPORT**

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The Honorable Brian Feldman
Education, Energy, and the Environment Committee
2 West Miller Senate Office Building
Annapolis, MD 21401

Dear Chair Feldman, Vice Chair Kagan, and Committee Members,

The Maryland Department of Veterans and Military Families (DVMMF) is committed to leading veterans and their families through life's transitions, making Maryland the best state for military-connected communities. Our department supports Senate Bill 301 - Veterans' Discounts Act.

SB 301 simply allows state agency secretaries, boards, and commissions to waive certain fees for veterans, should they choose to. This legislation acknowledges the sacrifices of those who served and is a tangible way to honor their contributions and demonstrate Maryland's commitment to its veterans.

Maryland has a proud tradition of supporting its veterans, and Senate Bill 301 aligns with our State's values and commitment to those who have served. By reducing financial barriers, this bill will have a profound and positive impact on the lives of our veterans and their families. Together, we can continue to build a Maryland where all veterans receive the respect, support, and opportunities they deserve.

Thank you for your consideration, and I respectfully ask the committee for a favorable report.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Edward C. Rothstein". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Ed Rothstein
Acting Secretary