AN ACT CONCERNING MILITARY-CONNECTED STUDENTS AND PUBLIC SCHOOL ENROLLMENT.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section 1. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2019) (a) (1) The Department of Education shall, within available appropriations, develop and promulgate a standardized form for reporting information identifying military-connected students who are seeking to enroll in a public school in this state. For the purposes of this section, "military-connected student" means any child under twenty-one years of age whose parent or legal guardian is (A) a current, retired or separated member of the armed forces, or (B) a veteran; and "armed forces" and "veteran" have the same meanings as provided in subsection (a) of section 27-103 of the general statutes.

(2) Such form shall include (A) the definition of military-connected student set forth in this subsection, (B) a check box to identify a child seeking to enroll in a school as a military-connected student, and (C) a notice that completing such form is voluntary and is not a condition precedent to enrolling in such public school.

(3) Such form may be completed and submitted to the local or regional school district governing the school in which a child seeks to enroll.

(b) Any public school in this state that enrolls a military-connected student shall connect or offer to connect the family of such student with existing resources available from the Department of Veterans
22 Affairs and the Military Department.

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This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections: