



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 5405

LCO No. 2338



Referred to Committee on VETERANS' AND MILITARY AFFAIRS

Introduced by:
(VA)

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO STUDY PROVIDING A PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION TO CERTAIN PERMANENTLY AND TOTALLY DISABLED VETERANS.

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

1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) (a) There is established a task force
2 to study providing an exemption from the payment of all property taxes
3 for any veteran, as defined in section 27-103 of the general statutes, who
4 is rated by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs as
5 permanently and totally disabled as a result of such veteran's service in
6 the armed forces, as defined in said section.

7 (b) The task force shall consist of the following members:

8 (1) Two appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives;

9 (2) Two appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate;

10 (3) One appointed by the majority leader of the House of
11 Representatives;

- 12 (4) One appointed by the majority leader of the Senate;
- 13 (5) One appointed by the minority leader of the House of
14 Representatives;
- 15 (6) One appointed by the minority leader of the Senate;
- 16 (7) The Commissioner of Veterans Affairs, or the commissioner's
17 designee;
- 18 (8) The Adjutant General, or the Adjutant General's designee; and
- 19 (9) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, or the
20 secretary's designee.
- 21 (c) Any member of the task force appointed under subdivision (1),
22 (2), (3), (4), (5) or (6) of subsection (b) of this section may be a member
23 of the General Assembly.
- 24 (d) All initial appointments to the task force shall be made not later
25 than thirty days after the effective date of this section. Any vacancy shall
26 be filled by the appointing authority.
- 27 (e) The speaker of the House of Representatives and the president pro
28 tempore of the Senate shall select the chairpersons of the task force from
29 among the members of the task force. Such chairpersons shall schedule
30 the first meeting of the task force, which shall be held not later than sixty
31 days after the effective date of this section.
- 32 (f) The administrative staff of the joint standing committee of the
33 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to military and
34 veterans' affairs shall serve as administrative staff of the task force.
- 35 (g) Not later than January 1, 2025, the task force shall submit a report
36 on its findings and recommendations to the joint standing committee of
37 the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to military
38 and veterans' affairs, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a
39 of the general statutes. The task force shall terminate on the date that it

40 submits such report or January 1, 2025, whichever is later.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To establish a task force to study providing a property tax exemption to certain permanently and totally disabled veterans.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]