BUDGET (CODE 23.15.00)
FY1991 Total Appropriation \$2,884,384
General Funds
Special Funds \$ 65,550
Federal Funds
FY1991 Total Authorized Positions
ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE
MARYLAND VETERANS COMMISSION
WASHINGTON CEMETERY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
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Origins of the Maryland Veterans Commission can be traced to 1924 when the State created a relief fund for disabled veterans of World War I (Chapter 344, Acts of 1924). From 1929, the Veterans Relief Commission administered the fund (Chapter 134, Acts of 1929). The Commission was renamed the Maryland Veterans Commission in 1935 (Chapter 481, Acts of 1935). The Commission became part of

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the Department of Employment and Social Services (later named Department of Human Resources) in 1971 (Chapters 370 and 617, Acts of 1971). In 1977, the Commission was removed from the jurisdiction of the Department of Human Resources and made an independent agency (Chapter 895, Acts of 1977).

The Maryland Veterans Commission serves Maryland veterans and their dependents. The Commission assists in the development, preparation, submission, and approval of claims covering the full range of veterans' benefit entitlements enumerated by federal, State and local agencies. The Commission manages and operates authorized Maryland State Veterans Cemeteries, including a Civil War cemetery located in Washington County. The Commission operates, maintains, and provides security for the Maryland Vietnam Veterans Memorial and the Korean War Memorial and provides staff support and assistance to the Maryland Veterans Home Commission and the War Memorial Commission.

The Commission prepares and issues booklets, brochures, and flyers enumerating what federal, State, and local benefits are available to veterans. Distributed by selected State agencies and by all State veterans organizations, these publications are available to the public.

The Commission is composed of twenty-five Maryland veterans appointed to seven-year terms by the Governor. The chairperson of the Maryland Veterans Home Commission serves as a member, each congressional district is represented by one member, and one member serves at large. Of the remaining members, one each is appointed from the following: American Legion; Disabled American Veterans; Catholic War Veterans; AMVETS; Jewish War Veterans; Veterans of Foreign Wars; Veterans of World War I; Maryland Retired Officers Association; Marine Corps League; Polish-American War Veterans; Fleet Reserve Association; Military Order of the Purple Heart; American Ex-Prisoners of War, Inc.; Korean War Veterans Association; and Vietnam Veterans of America. The Governor designates the chairperson. The Commission appoints the Director (Code State Government Article, secs. 9-904 through 9-914).

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