

CHAPTER 272

(Senate Bill 61)

AN ACT concerning

Sexual Discrimination — Merit System and
Disabled Veterans

FOR the purpose of providing that sex shall not be a limitation for qualification for competitive examinations for State employment, providing that preferences and credits for disabled veterans' spouses be applicable to both sexes, and making certain numerical style changes.

BY repealing and re-enacting, with amendments,

Article 64A — Merit System
Sections 18(c) and 18(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1972 Replacement Volume and 1974 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Sections 18(c) and 18(d) of Article 64A — Merit System, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1972 Replacement Volume and 1974 Supplement) be and they are hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

Article 64A — Merit System

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(c) Examinations shall be competitive, free and open to all persons who may be lawfully appointed to any position within the class for which the examination is held, with such limitations as may be specified in the rules by the Secretary as to age, [sex,] health, habits, moral character, physical condition, and other qualifications, except as hereinafter provided that are in the judgment of the Secretary prerequisite to the performance of the duties of such positions; provided, however, that the Secretary may, from time to time, provide for general rules exempting from competitive examinations, positions to be filled by unskilled manual laborers, including positions for road patrolmen under the State Roads Commission, and may, if he sees fit, provide in lieu of said competitive examinations such