

CHAPTER 23

(Senate Bill 251)

AN ACT concerning

National Guard Mutual Assistance Compact

FOR the purpose of repealing the National Guard Mutual Assistance Compact and the authority of the Governor to enter into such a compact on behalf of the State of Maryland.

BY repealing

Article 65 - Militia
Section 89 through 97 and the subtitle "National Guard Mutual Assistance Compact"
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1979 Replacement Volume and 1980 Supplement)

Preamble

WHEREAS, The General Assembly enacted the National Guard Mutual Assistance Compact in 1968 authorizing the Governor to enter into agreements with other states for mutual aid among the states in utilizing the National Guard to cope with emergencies; and

WHEREAS, During the 12 years subsequent to 1968, no Governor of Maryland has chosen to implement the National Guard Mutual Assistance Compact; and

WHEREAS, Only six states have implemented the compact since it was first proposed in 1967; and

WHEREAS, The continued existence of the enabling legislation has not been supported and testimony was received before the Maryland Commission on Intergovernmental Cooperation that the compact would not be in the "best interests" of this State; now, therefore,

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows:

Article 65 - Militia

[National Guard Mutual Assistance Compact]