CHAPTER 282

(House Bill 1070)

AN ACT concerning

Commission on the Establishment of a Maryland Women in Military Service Monument

FOR the purpose of establishing a Commission on the Establishment of a Maryland Women in Military Service Monument; providing for the composition and staffing of the Commission; specifying the duties of the Commission; providing certain reimbursement for travel expenses; requiring the Commission to refer to a certain report; requiring the Commission to submit a preliminary report on its findings and recommendations on or before a certain date; requiring the Commission to submit a final report on its findings and recommendations on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to a Commission on the Establishment of a Maryland Women in Military Service Monument.

Preamble

WHEREAS, Many women of Maryland served in the uniformed forces of the United States; and

WHEREAS, The creation of the Maryland Women in Military Service Monument would recognize those women and ensure that their contributions, dedication, valor, and sacrifice will be remembered and honored; and

WHEREAS, The people of Maryland want to recognize and pay special tribute to the brave women from the State who have served in the military; and

WHEREAS, The people of Maryland want to establish a lasting tribute so that future generations of citizens will note the courage and sacrifice of those Maryland women who served our nation in uniform; now, therefore,

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That:

- (a) There is a Commission on the Establishment of a Maryland Women in Military Service Monument.
 - (b) The Commission consists of the following members:
- (1) one member of the Senate of Maryland who serves on the Maryland General Assembly's Veteran's Caucus, appointed by the President of the Senate;
- (2) one member of the House of Delegates who serves on the Maryland General Assembly's Veteran's Caucus, appointed by the Speaker of the House;
 - (3) the Secretary of Veterans Affairs or the Secretary's designee;