

**CHAPTER 543**

**(House Bill 1213)**

AN ACT concerning

**State Veterans' Cemetery at Bainbridge**

FOR the purpose of requiring the Maryland Veterans' Commission and the Maryland Department of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study of the feasibility of establishing a veterans' cemetery on the grounds of the former Bainbridge Naval Training Center in Cecil County; providing for the matters to be included in the study; ~~and~~ requiring that the Commission and the Department report to the appropriate committees of the General Assembly and the Cecil County legislative delegation on the results of the study on or before a certain date; and generally relating to a State veterans' cemetery at Bainbridge.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article - State Government

Section 9-913(a) through (c)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1999 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

**Article - State Government**

9-913.

(a) (1) In this section, "State veterans' cemetery" means a cemetery that the Commission establishes under this section.

(2) In this section and in § 9-914 of this subtitle, "veteran" means an individual who:

(i) served on active duty in the armed forces of the United States;

or

(ii) served as a member of the State militia ordered into active service of the United States by order of the President and was killed in the line of duty.

(b) The Commission may establish 1 or more cemeteries in the State for the burial of veterans and their immediate families.

(c) (1) The Commission may accept land, on behalf of the State or a political subdivision of the State, or otherwise acquire land for a State veterans' cemetery, if the Commission has the approval of:

(i) the governing body of the county where the State veterans' cemetery is to be located;