

- (ii) the delegation in the General Assembly for the county where the State veterans' cemetery is to be located; and
- (iii) the Board of Public Works.

(2) In selecting a location for a proposed State veterans' cemetery, the Commission shall give priority to land that is near a national memorial battle site.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Maryland Veterans' Commission and the Maryland Department of Veterans Affairs shall conduct a study of the feasibility of establishing a veterans' cemetery on the grounds of the former Bainbridge Naval Training Center in Cecil County. On or before November 30, 2001, the Commission and the Department shall report the results of the study, subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the appropriate committees of the General Assembly and the members of the Cecil County legislative delegation. The study shall include:

(1) The projected cost of the State acquiring land located on the former Bainbridge Naval Training Center from the ~~town of Port Deposit~~ Bainbridge Development Corporation and the availability of State and private moneys or public indebtedness to pay those costs;

(2) The likelihood of approval of ~~an~~:

(i) A transfer of the land for a veterans' cemetery at Bainbridge by the Bainbridge Development Corporation; and

(ii) An acquisition of the land for a veterans' cemetery at Bainbridge by the Cecil County Commissioners, the county legislative delegation, and the Board of Public Works;

(3) The availability of federal funds to pay for developing the buildings and facilities for a veterans' cemetery at Bainbridge and the level of State match required for federal funds;

(4) The projected costs of maintaining a veterans' cemetery at Bainbridge and the availability of State or private moneys to pay those costs;

(5) The level of community support for establishing a veterans' cemetery at Bainbridge impact of the acquisition of the land on the proposed future mixed use development of the former Bainbridge Naval Training Center; and

(6) The projected levels of use of any veterans' cemetery built at Bainbridge.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2001.

Approved May 15, 2001.