

Sincerely,  
Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr.  
Governor

**Senate Bill No. 42**

AN ACT concerning

**Circuit Courts - Military Discharge Papers - Limitation on Inspections and Certified Copies**

FOR the purpose of requiring a clerk of a circuit court to deny inspection of the book and index containing the record of a person's military discharge papers ~~is kept~~ by the clerk of court's office except for to certain persons ~~or in, in accordance with a subpoena or court order, or in certain circumstances to certain persons for good cause shown~~; limiting the provision by a clerk of a circuit court of a certified copy of the record of certain military discharge papers to certain persons ~~or in, in accordance with a subpoena or court order, or in certain circumstances to certain persons for good cause shown~~; defining a certain term; and generally relating to military discharge papers recorded and indexed by a clerk of a circuit court.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 2-207

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2002 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article - State Government

Section 10-611(e)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1999 Replacement Volume and 2002 Supplement)

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

**Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings**

2-207.

(a) FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, "PERSON IN INTEREST" HAS THE MEANING STATED IN § 10-611 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE.

(B) The clerk of the circuit court of each county shall keep a book and record and index in the book the discharge papers of any person who:

- (1) At any time has served in the armed forces of the United States; and
- (2) Presents the discharge papers of the person for recording.