WHEREAS, Environments that encourage walking help to promote tourism and commerce; and

WHEREAS, Increased walking is an important facet of livable and sustainable communities; and

WHEREAS, Walking is an environmentally friendly method of transportation, which helps to reduce reliance on automobiles while cutting traffic congestion and air pollution; and

WHEREAS, Walking as a symbol for Maryland will benefit individual citizens and Maryland as a whole; now, therefore,

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

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13-320.

WALKING IS THE STATE EXERCISE.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2008.

Approved by the Governor, May 13, 2008.

## **CHAPTER 402**

(Senate Bill 457)

AN ACT concerning

Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children

Task Force on Educational Issues Affecting Military Children

FOR the purpose of establishing, through a certain Interstate Compact with certain other member states, the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children for certain purposes; providing for the transfer of certain educational records and enrollment of certain children in certain schools; providing for the placement of certain children in certain courses; educational