

# County Council Of Howard County, Maryland

2010 Legislative Session

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## Resolution No. 134 -2010

Introduced by: Courtney Watson, Mary Kay Sigaty, Calvin Ball, and Jennifer Terrasa

A RESOLUTION creating a task force to study the composition, purpose, and other specified aspects of a Veterans' Commission in Howard County; providing for officers of and staff for the task force; specifying the composition and duties of the task force; requiring a certain report; and providing for termination of the task force.

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Introduced and read first time \_\_\_\_\_, 2010.

By order \_\_\_\_\_  
Stephen LeGendre, Administrator

Read for a second time at a public hearing on \_\_\_\_\_, 2010.

By order \_\_\_\_\_  
Stephen LeGendre, Administrator

This Resolution was read the third time and was Adopted\_\_\_, Adopted with amendments\_\_\_, Failed\_\_\_, Withdrawn\_\_\_, by the County Council on \_\_\_\_\_, 2010.

Certified By \_\_\_\_\_  
Stephen LeGendre, Administrator

NOTE: [[text in brackets]] indicates deletions from existing law; TEXT IN ALL CAPITALS indicates additions to existing law; Strike-out indicates material deleted by amendment; Underlining indicates material added by amendment.

1           **WHEREAS**, the Howard County Council has before it Bill No. 49-2010 to  
2 create a Veterans' Commission in Howard County; and

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4           **WHEREAS**, the Howard County Council recognizes that residents of the County  
5 have an interest in an inclusive process which affords Veterans and Active Duty  
6 Personnel meaningful opportunities to give input on issues which affect them; and

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8           **WHEREAS**, the Howard County Council wishes to make an informed decision  
9 about the composition and purpose of the proposed Commission; and

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11           **WHEREAS**, Section 902 of the Howard County Charter authorizes the creation  
12 of temporary advisory boards of citizens to study policies and issues.

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14           **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the County Council of Howard  
15 County, Maryland, this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2010 that there is a task force to  
16 study the composition and purpose of the proposed Veterans' Commission.

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18           **AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the task force shall consist of ten  
19 members, two appointed by each member of the Howard County Council.

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21           **AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the County Executive may appoint  
22 three additional members to the task force.

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24           **AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the County Council shall provide  
25 staff for the task force and requests that the County Executive encourage all units of  
26 County government to cooperate fully with the task force.

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28           **AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the task force shall:  
29           (1)   begin operating on or before February 1, 2011;  
30           (2)   elect a chairperson from among its members and any other officers that the  
31 task force finds desirable;

- 1           (3)     evaluate the need for a Veterans' Commission;
- 2           (4)     if the task force finds that there is a need for a Veterans' Commission,
- 3 study and evaluate the mission, purpose, structure, membership, and responsibilities of
- 4 the Veterans' Commission;
- 5           (5)     make recommendations to the County Council;
- 6           (6)     hold at least one public hearing;
- 7           (7)     issue a written report to the County Council before July 15, 2011, and
- 8 send a copy of the report to the County Executive; and
- 9           (8)     terminate once its written report has been made.