

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1990.

Approved May 2, 1990.

CHAPTER 239

(Senate Bill 160)

AN ACT concerning

Militia – Maryland Defense Force

FOR the purpose of renaming the Maryland State Guard to be the Maryland Defense Force.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 65 – Militia

Section 5, 8, 18, and 25; and 62, 64, 73, 74, and 76 to be under the amended subtitle “Maryland Defense Force”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1988 Replacement Volume and 1989 Supplement)

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

Article 65 – Militia

5.

The militia of this State shall be divided into two classes: The organized militia and the unorganized militia. The organized militia of the State shall consist of officers appointed and commissioned by the Governor, and of such able-bodied citizens of the State, and such able-bodied persons of foreign birth as have declared their intentions to become citizens of the State, resident therein, as shall be regularly enlisted therein, including the National Guard, the [State Guard] MARYLAND DEFENSE FORCE and the reserve militia (Minute Men). A military office for which no salary is provided in the budget shall not be considered an office of profit.

The unorganized militia shall consist of all those liable to serve but not regularly enlisted.

8.

The Governor shall have the power in times of public crisis, disaster, rioting, catastrophe, insurrection, invasion, tumult, breach of peace or upon reasonable apprehension of the imminence thereof, or to enforce the laws of this State, or to carry on any of the functions of the militia of this State, or any part thereof, or whenever, by the law of the land, martial law may be declared, to order into the active service of the