



# Maryland's Commitment To Veterans

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# Overview

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- Legislative Update
- Outreach Initiatives
- Veterans Court Initiative

# Legislative Session 2008 Highlights

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- Maryland Veterans Behavioral Health Bill
- Claims Assistance
- National Guard Reintegration
- Veterans Seniority When it Comes to State Employee Lay Offs
- Vehicle Laws – Gold Star Registration Plates

# Outreach Initiatives

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- Veterans Musters – Information Seminar
  - Initiated March 2008
  - Will Hit Every County Within 18-24 Months
  - Reached Approximately 2500+ Veterans to date in Six Counties
- Establishing Partnerships With Other State Agencies:
  - Dept of Aging – Disabilities – Natural Resources – Health and Mental Hygiene – Public Safety and Corrections – Business and Economic Development
  - Currently Pursuing Partnerships With Maryland Department Of Transportation and Housing and Community Development

# Veterans Court Initiative

- A CONTINUAL JUDICIAL EDUCATION PROGRAM FOCUSING ON VETERANS AND THEIR UNIQUE PROBLEMS



# Questions?

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