

HOUSE BILL 181

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CF SB 255

By: **Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee (By Request –
Departmental – Military)**

Requested: September 29, 2024

Introduced and read first time: January 8, 2025

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Military Department – Chief of Staff and Aides – Appointment Authority**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing the Adjutant General instead of the Governor to appoint
4 certain staff in the Military Department; establishing that certain staff in the
5 Military Department serve at the pleasure of the Adjutant General instead of the
6 Governor; and generally relating to the appointment of staff of the Military
7 Department.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
9 Article – Public Safety
10 Section 13–306
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (2022 Replacement Volume and 2024 Supplement)

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

15 **Article – Public Safety**

16 13–306.

17 (a) Officers, warrant officers, and enlisted individuals who are full-time
18 employees of the Department are in State active duty status.

19 (b) (1) The [Governor] **ADJUTANT GENERAL** may appoint a chief of staff and
20 aides.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (2) The chief of staff and aides serve at the pleasure of the [Governor]
2 **ADJUTANT GENERAL.**

3 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
4 October 1, 2025.