

**CITY OF BALTIMORE  
COUNCIL BILL 12-0020  
(First Reader)**

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Introduced by: The Council President  
At the request of: The Administration (Veterans Commission)  
Introduced and read first time: January 23, 2012  
Assigned to: Judiciary and Legislative Investigations Committee  

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REFERRED TO THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES: City Solicitor, Veterans Commission

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ORDINANCE concerning

2 **Veterans Commission – Member Qualifications**

3 FOR the purpose of providing that one of the appointments by the City Council President must be  
4 a City Councilmember, who need not be a veteran.

5 BY repealing and reordaining, with amendments

6 Article 12 - Mayor, City Council, and Municipal Agencies  
7 Section(s) 51-2  
8 Baltimore City Code  
9 (Edition 2000)

10 **SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE**, That the  
11 Laws of Baltimore City read as follows:

12 **Baltimore City Code**

13 **Article 1. Mayor, City Council, and Municipal Agencies**

14 **Subtitle 51. Baltimore City Veterans Commission**

15 **§ 51-2. Commission established.**

16 (a) *In general.*

17 There is a Baltimore City Veterans Commission.

18 (b) *Composition.*

19 The Commission comprises the following 11 members:

20 (1) 5 members, to be appointed by the Mayor in accordance with Article IV, § 6 of  
21 the City Charter;

22 (2) 4 members, to be appointed by the President of the City Council;

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS indicate matter added to existing law.  
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

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- 1 (3) the Police Commissioner or the Commissioner’s designee; and
- 2 (4) the Fire Chief or the Chief’s designee.

3 (c) *Qualifications.*

4 (1) [Each] EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, EACH appointed  
5 member must be a veteran.

6 (2) OF THE 4 MEMBERS APPOINTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT, 1 SHALL BE A  
7 MEMBER OF THE CITY COUNCIL, WHO NEED NOT BE A VETERAN.

8 **SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** That the catchlines contained in this Ordinance  
9 are not law and may not be considered to have been enacted as a part of this or any prior  
10 Ordinance.

11 **SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** That this Ordinance takes effect on the 30<sup>th</sup> day  
12 after the date it is enacted.