

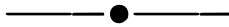
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(By Delegate Louisos)



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H. B. 2423

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AN ACT to amend and reenact §18-2-34 of the code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to authorizing awarding of high school diplomas to certain surviving veterans.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That §18-2-34 of the code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 2. STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

§18-2-34. High school diplomas for surviving World War I, World War II, Korean Conflict, and Vietnam Conflict veterans.

- 1 (a) Notwithstanding any provision of this code to the
- 2 contrary, the state board shall provide for the awarding of high
- 3 school diplomas, either by the county board in the county in

4 which the veteran resides or the county in which the veteran
5 would have received his or her diploma, whichever location the
6 veteran chooses, to any surviving World War I, World War II,
7 Korean Conflict or Vietnam Conflict veteran who:

8 (1) Left school prior to graduation and served in the armed
9 forces of the United States: *Provided*, That a veteran of the
10 Korean Conflict or the Viet Nam Conflict must have been
11 attending high school at the time he or she left prior to graduat-
12 ing and served in the armed forces of the United States;

13 (2) Did not receive a high school diploma;

14 (3) Was discharged from the armed services under honor-
15 able conditions; and

16 (4) Completes the application process as provided by the
17 joint rules of the state board and the veterans' council.

18 (b) The state board and the veterans' council, created in
19 article one, chapter nine-a of this code, shall jointly propose
20 rules for the identification of eligible veterans and for the
21 awarding of high school diplomas. The rules shall provide for
22 an application process and the credentials required to receive
23 the high school diplomas.

24 (c) For purposes of this section:

25 (1) "World War I veteran" means any veteran who:

26 (A) Performed wartime service between April sixth, one
27 thousand nine hundred seventeen, and November eleventh, one
28 thousand nine hundred eighteen; or

29 (B) Has been awarded the World War I Victory Medal;

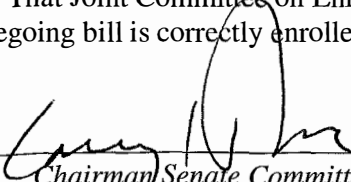
30 (2) "World War II veteran" means any veteran who
31 performed wartime service between September sixteenth, one

32 thousand nine hundred forty, and December thirty-first, one
33 thousand nine hundred forty-six;

34 (3) "Korean Conflict veteran" means any veteran who
35 performed military service between June twenty-seventh, one
36 thousand nine hundred fifty, and January thirty-first, one
37 thousand nine hundred fifty-five; and

38 (4) "Vietnam Conflict veteran" means any veteran who
39 performed military service between February twenty-eighth,
40 one thousand nine hundred sixty-one, and May seventh, one
41 thousand nine hundred seventy-five.

That Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

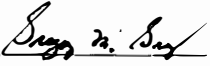

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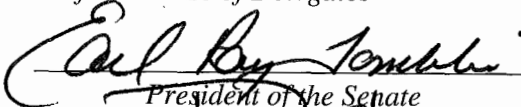

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Clerk of the Senate


Clerk of the House of Delegates


President of the Senate


Speaker of the House of Delegates

The within is approved this the 2nd
day of April, 2004.


Governor

MEMORANDUM FOR THE
GOVERNOR

Date 3/26/04

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