WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

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House Bill 5579

By Delegate Young

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A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §9A-1-10a, relating to paying a monthly allotment to certain veterans.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

ARTICLE 1. department of veterans’ assistance.

§9A-1-10a. Monthly allotment to certain veterans.

(a) The secretary shall establish a program that pays a monthly allotment check of $150 to all veterans who have been honorably discharged, who are 65 years of age or older, who served on active duty during a period of war, and who are not currently receiving a Federal Veterans Administration check for disability or retirement.

(b) For those veterans who are 66 years of age or older when the program begins, they shall receive a lump sum check in the amount of a year's worth of benefits for every year they are over the age of 65.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to provide for the establishment of a program to pay a monthly allotment check to certain veterans.

Strike-throughs indicate language that would be stricken from a heading or the present law and underscoring indicates new language that would be added.