

HOUSE BILL No. 5361

December 3, 1991, Introduced by Reps. DeBeaussaert, DeMars, Bartnik, Wallace, Harrison, Dobronski, Anthony, Olshove, Baade, Gagliardi, Joe Young, Sr., Varga, Profit, Yokich, Palamara, Martin, Nye, Trim, Robertson, Harder, Jacobetti and Hickner and referred to the Committee on Military and Veterans' Affairs.

A bill to amend section 2 of Act No. 9 of the Public Acts of the First Extra Session of 1946, entitled as amended

"An act to create the Michigan veterans' trust fund, and to define who shall be eligible to receive assistance therefrom; to provide for the disbursement of the income thereof and surplus therein; to create a board of trustees, and to prescribe its powers and duties; to provide for county and district committees, and their powers, duties, and expenses; to prescribe penalties; and to make appropriations to carry out the provisions of this act,"

being section 35.602 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Section 1. Section 2 of Act No. 9 of the Public Acts of the
2 First Extra Session of 1946, being section 35.602 of the Michigan
3 Compiled Laws, is amended to read as follows:

4 Sec. 2. For the purposes of the administration of this act,
5 a Michigan veteran as defined by Act No. 190 of the Public Acts
6 of 1965, as amended, ~~shall be deemed to be~~ BEING SECTIONS 35.61

1 TO 35.62 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS, IS a person, male or
2 female, whose legal residence immediately prior to entering the
3 service was in Michigan, who entered upon or was in active serv-
4 ice in the armed forces of the United States, at any time for at
5 least 180 days from and after the date as defined by Act No. 190
6 of the Public Acts of 1965, ~~as amended, being sections 35.61 and~~
7 ~~35.62 of the Michigan Compiled Laws~~ or Vietnam era, as deter-
8 mined for the purposes of administration of this act, OR WAS IN
9 ACTIVE SERVICE IN THE MERCHANT MARINES OF THE UNITED STATES FOR
10 AT LEAST 180 DAYS DURING WORLD WAR II whether by induction,
11 enlistment, commission, warrant, or otherwise, and who has been
12 honorably discharged, retired, or separated ~~therefrom~~ FROM THAT
13 SERVICE, or who has reverted to an inactive status ~~therefrom~~
14 FROM THAT SERVICE under honorable conditions. However, former
15 members of the women's auxiliary army corps who refused to accept
16 transfer to or induction into the women's army corps ~~shall not~~
17 ~~be deemed to be~~ ARE NOT veterans within the meaning of this
18 definition. A veteran who did not have legal residence in
19 Michigan immediately prior to entering the military service may
20 become eligible to benefits administered under this act after
21 having established a legal residence in Michigan. A veteran
22 whose legal residence was in Michigan prior to entering military
23 service will lose his OR HER rights under this act by leaving
24 this state for a period of time exceeding 2 years. A person who
25 shall have been separated for reason of physical or mental dis-
26 ability incurred in the line of duty prior to the completion of
27 180 days' service ~~shall be considered~~ IS a veteran for the

1 purpose of the administration of this act. World War II ~~shall~~
2 ~~be deemed to be~~ IS that period from and after August 27, 1940,
3 to the inclusive date of June 30, 1946. Grants made to eligible
4 Michigan veterans between June 30, 1946, and the effective date
5 of this act are declared valid. A person otherwise qualified
6 with at least 90 days of service during World War I, Spanish
7 American War, or Mexican Wars, as defined in Act No. 190 of the
8 Public Acts of 1965, as amended, ~~shall be deemed~~ IS a veteran
9 for the purposes of this act.

10 Section 2. This amendatory act shall not take effect unless
11 Senate Bill No. ____ or House Bill No. 5362 (request no. 01447'91a)
12 of the 86th Legislature is enacted into law.