

SENATE BILL No. 1153

September 17, 1996, Introduced by Senators MILLER, DE BEAUSSAERT, NORTH, V. SMITH, SCHWARZ, CHERRY, PETERS and GEAKE and referred to the Committee on Human Resources, Labor 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:

- 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:
- Sec. 2. For the purposes of -the administration of this
- 5 act, a Michigan veteran IS A VETERAN as THAT TERM IS defined by
- 6 Act No. 190 of the Public Acts of 1965, as amended, shall be

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- I deemed to be a person, male or female, BEING SECTIONS 35.61 TO
- 2 35.62 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS, whose legal residence imme-
- 3 diately prior to entering -the- service IN THE ARMED FORCES OR
- 4 MERCHANT MARINES OF THE UNITED STATES was in Michigan, -who- IF
- 5 BY INDUCTION, ENLISTMENT, COMMISSION, WARRANT, OR OTHER MEANS
- 6 THAT VETERAN entered -upon- or was in active service in the armed
- 7 forces OR MERCHANT MARINES of the United States at any time
- 8 for at least 180 days -from and after the date as defined by
- 9 DURING A PERIOD DESCRIBED IN SECTION 1 OF Act No. 190 of the
- 10 Public Acts of 1965, -as amended, being -sections- SECTION 35.61
- 11 and 35.62 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, or Vietnam era, as
- 12 determined for the purposes of administration of this act,
- 13 whether by induction, enlistment, commission, warrant, or other
- 14 wise, and who AND IF THAT VETERAN has been honorably discharged,
- 15 retired, or separated therefrom, or who FROM THAT SERVICE OR
- t6 has reverted to an inactive status -therefrom- FROM THAT SERVICE
- 17 under honorable conditions. However, former members of the
- 18 women's auxiliary army corps who refused to accept transfer to or
- 19 induction into the women's army corps shall not be deemed to be
- 20 ARE NOT MICHIGAN veterans. -within the meaning of this
- 21 definition. A veteran who did not have legal residence in
- 22 Michigan immediately prior to entering -the-military- service IN
- 23 THE ARMED FORCES OR MERCHANT MARINES OF THE UNITED STATES may
- 24 become eligible -to- FOR benefits -administered under this act
- 25 after -having established- ESTABLISHING a legal residence in
- 26 Michigan. A veteran whose legal residence was in Michigan prior
- 27 to entering military service will lose LOSES his OR HER rights

- 1 under this act by leaving this state for a period of time
- 2 exceeding 2 years. A person -who shall have been separated FROM
- 3 SERVICE IN THE ARMED FORCES OR MERCHANT MARINES OF THE UNITED
- 4 STATES for reason of physical or mental disability incurred in
- 5 the line of duty prior to the completion of 180 -days! DAYS OF
- 6 service -shall-be-considered IS a veteran -for the purpose of
- 7 the administration of UNDER this act. World War II shall be
- 8 deemed to be IS that period from and after August 27, 1940 -,
- 9 to the inclusive date of THROUGH June 30, 1946. Grants made to
- 10 eligible Michigan veterans between June 30, 1946 -, and the
- 11 effective date of this act SEPTEMBER 23, 1949 are declared
- 12 valid. A person otherwise qualified with at least 90 days of
- 13 service during World War I, THE Spanish American War, or THE
- 14 Mexican Wars, as THOSE TERMS ARE defined in SECTION 1 OF Act
- 15 No. 190 of the Public Acts of 1965, -as amended, shall be deemed
- 16 IS a veteran for the purposes of this act.
- 17 Section 2. This amendatory act shall not take effect unless
- 18 Senate Bill No. 1152
- of the 88th Legislature is enacted into law.