SENATE SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 4733

A bill to authorize the board of a school district to award high school diplomas to World War II veterans under certain circumstances; and to prescribe duties and responsibilities of certain state officers and officials.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 1. The board of a school district may award a high
- 2 school diploma to a qualified military veteran. As used in this
- 3 act, "qualified military veteran" means an individual who meets
- 4 all of the following requirements:
- 5 (a) The military veteran is at least 65 years of age, if
- 6 living, or had attained at least 65 years of age, if deceased.
- 7 (b) Before graduation from a high school, the military vet-
- 8 eran enlisted in or was drafted into the armed forces of the
- 9 United States during World War II between December 16, 1940 and
- 10 December 31, 1946.

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- 1 (c) At the time he or she was drafted into or enlisted in
- 2 the armed forces of the United States, the military veteran was
- 3 enrolled in a high school in the school district to which the
- 4 application is made.
- 5 (d) The military veteran did not graduate from high school.
- **6** (e) The military veteran served under honorable conditions
- 7 during World War II.
- 8 Sec. 2. (1) The application form shall be prescribed by the
- 9 veterans affairs directorate of the department of veterans and
- 10 military affairs.
- 11 (2) The application may be completed by the veteran or the
- 12 veteran's spouse, brother or sister, children, or grandchildren.
- 13 Sec. 3. The department of military and veterans affairs
- 14 shall notify the board of each school district of this act and
- 15 take steps to encourage each school district to meet the objec-
- 16 tive of this act.