

# HOUSE BILL No. 6287

September 17, 2002, Introduced by Reps. Toy, Stewart, Caul, Bovin, Birkholz, DeWeese, Spade, Vander Veen, Kuipers, Dennis, Vear, Ehardt, Cameron Brown, Meyer, Sheltroun, Faunce, Gielegem, Tabor, Shulman, Pappageorge, Plakas, Rocca, Phillips, Allen and Cassis and referred to the Committee on Veterans Affairs.

A bill to amend 2001 PA 181, entitled

"An act 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,"

by amending the title and section 1 (MCL 35.341).

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

TITLE

An act to authorize the board of a school district to award high school diplomas to World War II veterans AND VIETNAM VETERANS under certain circumstances; and to prescribe duties and responsibilities of certain state officers and officials.

Sec. 1. (1) The board of a school district may award a high school diploma to a qualified military veteran.

(2) As used in this act, "qualified military veteran" means an individual who meets all of the following requirements:

1 (a) The military veteran is at least 65 years of age, if  
2 living, or had attained at least 65 years of age, if deceased.

3 (b) Before graduation from a high school, the military vet-  
4 eran enlisted in or was drafted into the armed forces of the  
5 United States during World War II between December 16, 1940 and  
6 December 31, 1946 OR DURING THE VIETNAM WAR BETWEEN FEBRUARY 28,  
7 1961 AND MAY 7, 1975.

8 (c) At the time he or she was drafted into or enlisted in  
9 the armed forces of the United States, the military veteran was  
10 enrolled in a high school in the school district to which the  
11 application is made.

12 (d) The military veteran did not graduate from high school.

13 (e) The military veteran served under honorable conditions  
14 during World War II OR THE VIETNAM WAR.