

93RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2003 and 2004

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

330 ILCS 105/1

from Ch. 126 1/2, par. 26

Amends the Children of Deceased Veterans Act. Adds a caption to a Section concerning education opportunities.

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1 AN ACT concerning veterans.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- Section 5. The Children of Deceased Veterans Act is amended by changing Section 1 as follows:
- 6 (330 ILCS 105/1) (from Ch. 126 1/2, par. 26)

7 Sec. 1. Education opportunities. The Illinois Department of Veterans' Affairs shall provide, insofar as moneys are 8 appropriated for those purposes, for matriculation and tuition 9 10 fees, board, room rent, books and supplies for the use and benefit of children, not under 10 and not over 18 years of age, 11 except extension of time may be granted for a child to complete 12 high school but in no event beyond the 19th birthday who have 13 14 for 12 months immediately preceding their application for these 15 benefits had their domicile in the State of Illinois, of World War I veterans who were killed in action or who died between 16 17 April 6, 1917, and July 2, 1921, and of World War II veterans who were killed in action or died after December 6, 1941, and 18 19 on or before December 31, 1946, and of Korean conflict veterans 20 who were killed in action or died between June 27, 1950 and January 31, 1955, and of Vietnam conflict veterans who were 21 22 killed in action or died between January 1, 1961 and May 7, 1975, as a result of service in the Armed Forces of the United 23 States or from other causes of World War I, World War II, the 24 25 Korean conflict or the Vietnam conflict, who died, whether 26 before or after the cessation of hostilities, service-connected disability, and of any veterans who died 27 28 during the induction periods specified below or died of a 29 service-connected disability incurred during such induction 30 periods, such periods to be those beginning September 16, 1940, and ending December 6, 1941, and beginning January 1, 1947 and 31 32 ending June 26, 1950 and the period beginning February 1, 1955,

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and ending on the day before the first day thereafter on which individuals (other than individuals liable for induction by reason of prior deferment) are no longer liable for induction for training and service into the Armed Forces under the Universal Military Training and Service Act, and beginning January 1, 1961 and ending May 7, 1975 and of any veterans who are totally and permanently disabled as a result of service-connected disability (or who died while a disability so evaluated was in existence); which children are attending or may attend a state educational institution of elementary grade, a high school or business college, vocational training school or other educational institution in this State where courses of instruction are provided in subjects which would tend to enable such children to engage in any useful trade, occupation or profession. As used in this Act "service-connected" means, with respect to disability or death, that such disability was incurred or aggravated, or that the death resulted from a disability incurred or aggravated, in the performance of active duty or active duty for training in the military services. Such children shall be admitted to state educational institutions free of tuition. No more than \$250.00 may be paid under this Act for any one child for any one school year.

23 (Source: P.A. 85-1187.)