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SENATE FILE 2152
BY COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

(SUCCESSOR TO SF 2102)

Passed Senate, Date ^(p. 560) 3/11/02
Vote: Ayes 49 Nays 0
Approved _____

Passed House, Date ^(p. 919) 3-21-02
Vote: Ayes 90 Nays 3

A BILL FOR

1 An Act expanding the operation recognition program, which awards
2 honorary high school diplomas to World War II veterans, to
3 include veterans of World War I and the Korean and Vietnam
4 conflicts.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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SF 2152

1 Section 1. Section 256.9, subsection 48, Code Supplement
2 2001, is amended to read as follows:
3 48. Develop and administer, with the cooperation of the
4 commission of veterans affairs, a program which shall be known
5 as "operation recognition". The purpose of the program is to
6 award high school diplomas to ~~World-War-II~~ veterans of World
7 War I, World War II, and the Korean and Vietnam conflicts who
8 left high school prior to graduation to enter United States
9 military service. The department and the commission shall
10 jointly develop an application procedure, distribute
11 applications, and publicize the program to school districts,
12 accredited nonpublic schools, county commissions of veteran
13 affairs, veterans organizations, and state, regional, and
14 local media. All honorably discharged ~~World-War-II~~ veterans
15 who are residents or former residents of the state; who
16 served at any time between April 6, 1917, and November 11,
17 1918, at any time between September 16, 1940, and December 31,
18 1946, at any time between June 25, 1950, and January 31, 1955,
19 or at any time between February 28, 1961, and May 5, 1975, all
20 dates inclusive; and who did not return to school and complete
21 their education after the war or conflict shall be eligible to
22 receive a diploma. Diplomas may be issued posthumously. Upon
23 approval of an application, the department shall issue an
24 honorary high school diploma for an eligible veteran. The
25 diploma shall indicate the veteran's school of attendance.
26 The department and the commission shall work together to
27 provide school districts, schools, communities, and county
28 commissions of veteran affairs with information about hosting
29 a diploma ceremony on or around Veterans Day. The diploma
30 shall be mailed to the veteran or, if the veteran is deceased,
31 to the veteran's family.

32 EXPLANATION

33 This bill expands the operation recognition program to
34 include, in addition to the veterans of World War II, the
35 veterans of World War I and the Korean and Vietnam conflicts.

1 The program is administered by the department of education
2 and its purpose is to award honorary high school diplomas to
3 honorably discharged veterans who are residents or former
4 residents of the state and who left high school prior to
5 graduation to enter U.S. military service. Diplomas may be
6 issued posthumously.

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SENATE FILE 2152

H-8287

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2 follows:

3 1. Page 1, by striking lines 6 and 7 and
4 inserting the following: "award high school diplomas
5 to ~~World War II~~ veterans, as defined in section 35.1,
6 subsection 2, who".

7 2. Page 1, by striking lines 16 through 20 and
8 inserting the following: "served ~~between September~~
9 ~~16, 1940, and December 31, 1946,~~ in the armed forces
10 of the United States and who did not return to school
11 and complete".

12 3. Page 1, line 21, by striking the words "the
13 war or conflict" and inserting the following: "~~the~~
14 war their period of military service".

15 4. Title page, by striking lines 3 and 4 and
16 inserting the following: "include other veterans."

By MASCHER of Johnson

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HOUSE AMENDMENT TO
SENATE FILE 2152

S-5242

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