HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA AWARD TO MILITARY VETERAN
Act 181 of 2001

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


The People of the State of Michigan enact:

35.341 High school diploma to qualified military veteran; “qualified military veteran” defined.
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:
   (a) Before graduation from a high school, the military veteran enlisted in or was drafted into the armed forces of the United States during World War II between December 16, 1940 and December 31, 1946, during the Korean conflict between June 27, 1950 and January 31, 1955, or during the Vietnam era between February 28, 1961 and May 7, 1975.
   (b) At the time he or she was drafted into or enlisted in the armed forces of the United States, the military veteran was enrolled in a high school in the school district to which the application is made.
   (c) The military veteran did not graduate from high school.
   (d) The military veteran served under honorable conditions during World War II, the Korean conflict, or during the Vietnam era.


35.342 Application; form; completion.
Sec. 2. (1) The application form shall be prescribed by the veterans affairs directorate of the department of veterans and military affairs.
(2) The application may be completed by the veteran or the veteran’s spouse, brother or sister, children, or grandchildren.


35.343 Notification to school district boards.
Sec. 3. The department of military and veterans affairs shall notify the board of each school district of this act and take steps to encourage each school district to meet the objective of this act.