

HOUSE BILL No. 5252

January 19, 2012, Introduced by Rep. Damrow and referred to the Committee on Military and Veterans Affairs and Homeland Security.

A bill to amend 1946 (1st Ex Sess) PA 9, entitled

"An act to create the Michigan veterans' trust fund, and to define who shall be eligible to receive assistance therefrom; to provide for the disbursement of the income thereof and surplus therein; to create a board of trustees, and to prescribe its powers and duties; to provide for county and district committees, and their powers, duties, and expenses; to prescribe penalties; and to make appropriations to carry out the provisions of this act,"

by amending section 2 (MCL 35.602).

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 2. (1) For the purposes of the ~~administration of this~~
2 act, a Michigan veteran as ~~defined by Act No. 190 of the Public~~
3 ~~Acts of 1965, as amended, shall be deemed to be~~ **IS** a person, ~~male~~
4 ~~or female,~~ whose legal residence immediately prior to entering the
5 ~~service~~ **ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES** was in Michigan, ~~THIS~~
6 **STATE**, who entered upon or was in active service in the armed

1 forces of the United States, at any time for at least 180 days,
2 ~~from and after the date as defined by Act No. 190 of the Public~~
3 ~~Acts of 1965, as amended, being sections 35.61 and 35.62 of the~~
4 ~~Michigan Compiled Laws or Vietnam era, as determined for the~~
5 ~~purposes of administration of this act, whether by induction,~~
6 enlistment, commission, warrant, or otherwise, and who has been
7 honorably discharged, retired, or separated therefrom, **FROM THE**
8 **ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES**, or who has reverted to an
9 inactive status therefrom **FROM THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED**
10 **STATES** under honorable conditions. However, ~~A former members~~ **MEMBER**
11 of the women's auxiliary army corps who refused to accept transfer
12 to or induction into the women's army corps shall ~~not be deemed to~~
13 ~~be veterans within the meaning of this definition.~~ **IS NOT A**
14 **MICHIGAN VETERAN.**

15 (2) A veteran who did not have legal residence in Michigan
16 **THIS STATE** immediately prior to entering the military service may
17 become eligible ~~to~~ **FOR** benefits administered under this act ~~after~~
18 ~~having established~~ **IF HE OR SHE ESTABLISHES** a legal residence in
19 Michigan. **THIS STATE.**

20 (3) A veteran whose ~~whose~~ **WHO WAS A** legal residence was in Michigan
21 ~~prior to~~ **RESIDENT OF THIS STATE BEFORE** entering military service
22 will lose his **OR HER** rights under this act ~~by leaving~~ **IF HE OR SHE**
23 **LEAVES** this state for a ~~period of time exceeding~~ **MORE THAN** 2 years.

24 (4) A person who shall have been ~~was~~ separated **FROM THE ARMED**
25 **FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES** for ~~reason of~~ physical or mental
26 disability incurred in the line of duty ~~prior to~~ **BEFORE** the
27 completion of 180 days' service shall ~~be considered~~ **IS** a **MICHIGAN**

1 veteran for the purpose of ~~the administration of this act.~~

2 (5) World War II shall be deemed to be that period from and
3 after August 27, 1940, to the inclusive date of June 30, 1946.

4 Grants made to eligible Michigan veterans between June 30, 1946,
5 and the effective date of this act are declared valid. ~~A person~~

6 ~~otherwise qualified with at least 90 days of service during World~~

7 ~~War I, Spanish American War or Mexican Wars, as defined in Act No.~~

8 ~~190 of the Public Acts of 1965, as amended, shall be deemed a~~

9 ~~veteran for the purposes of this act.~~