

WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

REGULAR SESSION, 1945



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HOUSE BILL No. 135

(By Mr. Moss (Speaker))



PASSED March 6 1945

In Effect From Passage

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(By MR. SPEAKER, MR. AMOS)

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AN ACT to amend chapter six of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, by adding thereto a new article designated article thirteen, providing for preference rating to veterans on examinations for positions in the departments of public assistance, health and unemployment compensation, and in other departments or agencies filled according to a non-partisan merit basis; and to repeal article eleven of said chapter as enacted by chapter one hundred twenty-eight, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred forty-one.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:*

That article eleven, chapter six of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as enacted by chapter one hundred twenty-eight, acts of the Legislature, regular ses-

sion, one thousand nine hundred forty-one, be repealed, and that said chapter six be amended by adding thereto a new article to be designated article thirteen, to read as follows:

**Article 13. Preference Rating of Veterans on Non-partisan Merit Examinations.**

Section 1. For positions in the departments of public assistance, health, unemployment compensation and in any other department or agency in which positions are filled under the non-partisan merit system, a preference of five points in addition to the regular numerical score received on examination shall be awarded to all veterans having qualified for appointment by making a minimum passing grade; and to all veterans having a service connected disability, as established by any proper veterans' bureau or department of the federal government, an additional five points shall be allowed.

For the purpose of this act, "veteran" shall mean any person who has served in the armed forces of the United States during the Spanish American War, World War I or World War II and who has been honorably discharged from such service.

17     Such awards shall be made for the benefit and prefer-  
18     ence in appointment of all veterans who have heretofore  
19     or who shall hereafter take such examinations, but shall  
20     not operate to the detriment of any person heretofore  
21     appointed to a position in such department or agency.

The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

Charles C. Morris  
Chairman Senate Committee

Wade H. Grier  
Chairman House Committee

Originated in the House

Takes effect from passage.

Thomas H. Hays  
Clerk of the Senate

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Clerk of the House of Delegates

Arnold W. Vickers  
President of the Senate

John E. Amos  
Speaker House of Delegates

The within approved this the 14<sup>A</sup>

day of March, 1945.

W. A. C. Meadows  
Governor.



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Wm. S. O'BRIEN,  
Secretary of State