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REGULAR SESSION, 1974

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HOUSE BILL No. 646

(By Mr. Shaffer of Mr. Steven)

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PASSED March 8, 1974

In Effect 90 days Passage

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WILLIAM C. HOLLINGSWORTH
SECRETARY OF STATE
THIS DATE 3-19-74
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H. B. 646
(By Mr. Shaffer and Mrs. Given)

[Passed March 8, 1974; in effect ninety days from passage.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact sections one and two, article nineteen, chapter eighteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to education; educational opportunities for children of deceased soldiers, sailors and marines; appropriation to provide educational opportunities; eligibility of applicant for benefits; application forms; preference.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That sections one and two, article nineteen, chapter eighteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 19. EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR CHILDREN OF DECEASED SOLDIERS, SAILORS AND MARINES.

§18-19-1. Appropriation to provide educational opportunities.

1 For the purpose of providing educational opportunities for the children of those who served in the army, navy or marine corps of the United States during the world war from April sixth, one thousand nine hundred seventeen, to July second, one thousand nine hundred twenty-one, or served in the armed forces of the United States of America at any time between December first, one thousand nine hundred forty-one, and the declaration of peace by the Congress of the United States, or served in the armed forces of the United States of America at any time between June twenty-seventh, one thousand nine
hundred fifty, and January thirty-first, one thousand nine hundred fifty-five, or served in the armed forces of the United States of America at any time between February one, one thousand nine hundred fifty-five, and the official cessation of hostilities in Southeast Asia as declared by the United States government, all dates inclusive, and who were killed in action or have died or may hereafter die from disease or disability resulting from such war service, there shall be appropriated from the state fund general revenue the sum of at least five thousand dollars for each fiscal year commencing July first and ending on June thirty of each year of the next biennium to be used for the benefit of such children while attending state education or training institutions.

§18-19-2. Eligibility of applicant for benefits application forms; preference.

To be eligible for the benefits of this article, said children must be at least sixteen and not more than twenty-two years of age and have had their domiciles in this state for at least twelve months preceding their application for said benefits. Such application shall be made to, and upon forms provided by, the West Virginia department of veterans affairs, which department shall determine the eligibility of those who make such application and the yearly amount to be allotted each applicant, which amount in the discretion of the department may vary from year to year, but shall not exceed the sum of five hundred dollars in any one year. In selecting those to receive the benefits of this article, preference shall be given those who are otherwise financially unable to secure said educational opportunities and to those whose parent was domiciled in this state during the period of such parent's war service.
The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

H. Daniel Darby  
Chairman Senate Committee

Clarence C. Chisholm, Jr.  
Chairman House Committee

Originated in the House.
Takes effect ninety days from passage.

Howard W. Cassan  
Clerk of the Senate

L. A. Blankenship  
Clerk of the House of Delegates

J. D. Brotkerton Jr.  
President of the Senate

Lewis A. M. Rome  
Speaker House of Delegates

The within approved this the 18th day of March, 1974.

Jack A. Lance Jr.  
Governor
PRESENTED TO THE GOVERNOR

Date 3/15/74

Time 2:50 p.m.