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REGULAR SESSION, 1974



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HOUSE BILL No. 646

(By Mr Staffer of Mrs. Green)



PASSED March 8 1974

In Effect 90 days Passage



STATE OFFICE
EDGAR C. BRISKELL III
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
2 the children of those who served in the army, navy or marine
3 corps of the United States during the world war from April
4 sixth, one thousand nine hundred seventeen, to July second,
5 one thousand nine hundred twenty-one, or served in the armed
6 forces of the United States of America at any time between
7 December first, one thousand nine hundred forty-one, and the
8 declaration of peace by the Congress of the United States,
9 or served in the armed forces of the United States of America
10 at any time between June twenty-seventh, one thousand nine

11 hundred fifty, and January thirty-first, one thousand nine
12 hundred fifty-five, or served in the armed forces of the United
13 States of America at any time between February one, one
14 thousand nine hundred fifty-five, and the official cessation of
15 hostilities in Southeast Asia as declared by the United States
16 government, all dates inclusive, and who were killed in action
17 or have died or may hereafter die from disease or disability
18 resulting from such war service, there shall be appropriated
19 from the state fund general revenue the sum of at least five
20 thousand dollars for each fiscal year commencing July first
21 and ending on June thirty of each year of the next biennium
22 to be used for the benefit of such children while attending
23 state education or training institutions.

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

1 To be eligible for the benefits of this article, said children
2 must be at least sixteen and not more than twenty-two years
3 of age and have had their domiciles in this state for at least
4 twelve months preceding their application for said benefits.
5 Such application shall be made to, and upon forms provided
6 by, the West Virginia department of veterans affairs, which
7 department shall determine the eligibility of those who make
8 such application and the yearly amount to be allotted each ap-
9 plicant, which amount in the discretion of the department may
10 vary from year to year, but shall not exceed the sum of five
11 hundred dollars in any one year. In selecting those to receive
12 the benefits of this article, preference shall be given those who
13 are otherwise financially unable to secure said educational op-
14 portunities and to those whose parent was domiciled in this
15 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 Darty
Chairman Senate Committee

Clarence C. Chestnut, Jr.
Chairman House Committee

Originated in the House.

Takes effect ninety days from passage.

Howard W. Carson
Clerk of the Senate

L. A. Blankenship
Clerk of the House of Delegates

Th. P. Brotherton, Jr.
President of the Senate

Lewis T. McNamee
Speaker House of Delegates

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

Paul A. Pierce, Jr.
Governor

PRESENTED TO THE
GOVERNOR

Date 3/15/74
Time 2:50 p.m.