



General Assembly

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Committee Bill No. 102

LCO No. 3134

Referred to Committee on Public Safety

Introduced by:
(PS)

**AN ACT GRANTING VETERANS OF SERVICE IN IRAN WARTIME
VETERAN STATUS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Subsection (a) of section 27-103 of the general statutes is repealed
2 and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:

3 (a) As used in the general statutes, except chapter 504, and except as
4 otherwise provided: (1) "Armed forces" means the United States Army,
5 Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard and Air Force; (2) "veteran" means
6 any person honorably discharged from, or released under honorable
7 conditions from active service in, the armed forces; (3) "service in time
8 of war" means service of ninety or more days except, if the war,
9 campaign or other operation lasted less than ninety days, "service in
10 time of war" means service for the entire duration of the war,
11 campaign or other operation, unless separated from service earlier
12 because of a service-connected disability rated by the Veterans'
13 Administration, during the Spanish-American War, April 21, 1898, to
14 August 13, 1898; the Philippine insurrection, August 13, 1898, to July 4,
15 1902, but as to engagements in the Moro Province, to July 15, 1903; the
16 Boxer Rebellion, June 20, 1900, to May 12, 1901; the Cuban pacification,

17 September 12, 1906, to April 1, 1909; the Nicaraguan campaign, August
18 28, 1912, to November 2, 1913; the Haitian campaign, July 9, 1915, to
19 December 6, 1915; the punitive expedition into Mexico, March 10, 1916,
20 to April 6, 1917; World War I, April 6, 1917, to November 11, 1918, but
21 as to service in Russia, to April 1, 1920; World War II, December 7,
22 1941, to December 31, 1946; [and] the Korean hostilities, June 27, 1950,
23 to January 31, 1955; [and shall include service during] the Lebanon
24 conflict, July 1, 1958, to November 1, 1958; the Berlin Airlift, August 14,
25 1961, to June 1, 1962; [and] the Vietnam era, February 28, 1961, to July
26 1, 1975; [and shall include service] active duty in Iran, December 6,
27 1978 to February 28, 1979; while engaged in combat or a combat
28 support role during the peace-keeping mission in Lebanon, September
29 29, 1982, to March 30, 1984; the invasion of Grenada, October 25, 1983,
30 to December 15, 1983; Operation Earnest Will, involving the escort of
31 Kuwaiti oil tankers flying the United States flag in the Persian Gulf,
32 February 1, 1987, to July 23, 1987; [and] the invasion of Panama,
33 December 20, 1989, to January 31, 1990; [and shall include service
34 during] Operation Desert Shield and Operation Desert Storm, August
35 2, 1990, to June 30, 1994; [and shall include] active duty for service in
36 the demilitarized zone in South Korea after February 1, 1955, in
37 Somalia after December 2, 1992, and in Bosnia after December 20, 1995;
38 [.] and shall include service during such periods with the armed forces
39 of any government associated with the United States.

Statement of Purpose:

To extend all benefits allowed to veterans for service in time of war to veterans of service in Iran during the time when it was designated as a hostile fire zone.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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