



General Assembly

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***Raised Bill No. 6614***

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Referred to Committee on Select Committee on Veterans' Affairs

Introduced by:  
(VA)

***AN ACT CONCERNING CREDIT FOR MILITARY TRAINING AND HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMAS FOR VETERANS.***

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

1       Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) The Adjutant General shall conduct  
2       a study of the training received by members of the National Guard and  
3       the similarities between such training and the professional training  
4       required by state agencies or departments that issue licenses or  
5       certifications. The study shall evaluate the effectiveness of a program  
6       that would exempt such members from meeting the professional  
7       training requirements for such licenses or certifications if the Adjutant  
8       General and the agency or department jointly determine that the  
9       training received by such members while serving in the National  
10      Guard is substantially similar to the professional training required by  
11      the licensing agency or department. On or before January 1, 2010, the  
12      Adjutant General shall report, in accordance with the provisions of  
13      section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the select committee of the  
14      General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to veterans'  
15      affairs on the findings of the study.

16      Sec. 2. Subsection (g) of section 10-221a of the general statutes is

17 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
18 *passage*):

19 (g) A local or regional board of education may award a diploma to a  
20 veteran of World War II, the Korean Conflict or the Vietnam Era,  
21 pursuant to section 27-103, who left high school prior to graduation in  
22 order to serve in the armed forces of the United States and did not  
23 receive a diploma as a consequence of such service.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>from passage</i>	10-221a(g)

**Statement of Purpose:**

To (1) conduct a study to determine the effectiveness of a program that would exempt members of the National Guard from meeting certain professional training requirements for licenses or certification, and (2) allow a board of education to award a high school diploma to a veteran of the Korean Conflict or the Vietnam Era who left high school prior to graduation in order to serve in the armed forces.

*[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.]*