



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 1063

January Session, 2009

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**AN ACT CONCERNING ELIGIBILITY FOR BENEFITS FOR VETERANS
IN SERVICE IN TIME OF WAR.**

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

1 Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 27-103 of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
3 *passage*):

4 (a) As used in the general statutes, except chapter 504, and except as
5 otherwise provided: (1) "Armed forces" means the United States Army,
6 Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard and Air Force and any reserve
7 component thereof, including the Connecticut National Guard
8 performing duty as provided in Title 32 of the United States Code; (2)
9 "veteran" means any person honorably discharged from, or released
10 under honorable conditions from active service in, the armed forces;
11 (3) "service in time of war" means service of ninety or more days
12 except, if the period of war lasted less than ninety days, "service in
13 time of war" means service for the entire period of war, unless
14 separated from service earlier because of a service-connected disability
15 rated by the Veterans' Administration, during a period of war; and (4)
16 "period of war" has the same meaning as provided in 38 USC 101, as
17 amended, except that the "Vietnam Era" means the period beginning
18 on February 28, 1961, and ending on July 1, 1975, in all cases; and
19 "period of war" shall include service while engaged in combat or a

