
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS,
FEBRUARY 5, 1985

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 51 (Military Affairs) of the Pennsylvania
2 Consolidated Statutes, providing a pension for certain
3 paralyzed veterans.

4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
5 hereby enacts as follows:

6 Section 1. The heading of Chapter 77 of Title 51 of the
7 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:

8 CHAPTER 77

9 [BLIND VETERAN'S PENSION]

10 VETERANS' PENSIONS AND BENEFITS

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12 Section 2. Title 51 is amended by adding a section to read:

13 § 7702. Paralyzed veteran's pension.

14 (a) Amount and eligibility.--In addition to any other
15 assistance provided by the Commonwealth and in addition to any
16 compensation provided by the Federal Government, every paralyzed
17 veteran shall be paid a pension of \$100 per month. Applications

1 for the pensions shall be made to and in the form prescribed by
2 the department. The Adjutant General shall determine the
3 eligibility of every applicant for a pension and his decision in
4 the matter shall be final.

5 (b) Definition.--As used in this section the term "paralyzed
6 veteran" means any person who served in the military or naval
7 forces of the United States, or any woman's organization
8 officially connected therewith, during an established war or
9 armed conflict service dates, and who gave this Commonwealth as
10 his place of residence at the time of entering the military or
11 naval forces of the United States and is currently a resident of
12 this Commonwealth and who, while performing duties connected
13 with that service, suffered an injury or incurred a disease
14 which resulted in the loss or loss of use of two or more
15 extremities. The term does not include any person separated from
16 the military or naval forces of the United States, or any
17 woman's organization officially connected therewith, under other
18 than honorable conditions.

19 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 1985 or
20 immediately, whichever is later.