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Senate of Pennsylvania

December 8, 2010

TO: ALL SENATORS
FROM: Stewart J. Greenleaf *Stewart*
SUBJECT: Cosponsorship -- Veterans' bonuses

I am reintroducing **Senate Bills 388, 389 and 390**, extending the deadlines to December 31, 2013, of the bonus programs for Pennsylvania veterans of World War II, the Korean War and the Vietnam War.

For whatever reason, a few Pennsylvania veterans of World War II, Korea and Vietnam did not apply for their bonuses before the deadlines for the bonus programs. This package of bills will provide a window of opportunity so that those veterans who deserved a bonus and missed the earlier deadlines may apply for their bonuses.

Only veterans who were Pennsylvania residents at the time they entered the armed forces qualify for these bonuses. The veteran or, in the case of the death or the mental incompetence of a veteran, a representative of the veteran may apply for the bonus.

Senate Bill 388 amends 1947 Act 248 to extend the World War II bonus deadline.

Senate Bill 389 amends 1957 Act 317 to extend the Korean War bonus deadline.

Senate Bill 390 amends 1968 Act 183 to extend the Vietnam War bonus deadline.

While the bonus is only a few hundred dollars, it is a token of appreciation from all us to those Pennsylvania veterans who served their country during these wars.

If you would like to cosponsor any or all of these bills, please contact Pat Snively of my office by e-mailing her at psnively@pasen.gov and providing her with the bill number(s) from last session.