

1 AN ACT relating to education.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,  
3 represented in the General Assembly:

4 Section 5. The School Code is amended by adding Section  
5 22-27 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/22-27 new)

7 Sec. 22-27. World War II veterans; diplomas.

8 (a) Upon request, the school board of any district that  
9 maintains grades 10 through 12 shall award a diploma to any  
10 honorably discharged veteran who:

11 (1) served in the armed forces of the United States  
12 during World War II;

13 (2) resided within an area currently within the  
14 district;

15 (3) left high school before graduating in order to  
16 serve in the armed forces of the United States; and

17 (4) has not received a high school diploma.

18 (b) The State Board of Education and the Department of  
19 Veterans' Affairs may issue rules consistent with the  
20 provisions of this Section that are necessary to implement  
21 this Section.