
SENATE BILL 6153

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By Senator Smith

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1 AN ACT Relating to veterans; and amending RCW 41.04.005 and
2 41.04.010.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 41.04.005 and 1991 c 240 s 1 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 As used in RCW 41.04.005, 41.04.010, 41.16.220, and 41.20.050
7 "veteran" includes every person, who at the time he or she seeks the
8 benefits of RCW (~~(28B.40.3617)~~) 41.04.005, 41.04.010, 41.16.220,
9 41.20.050, 41.40.170, 73.04.110, or 73.08.080 has received an honorable
10 discharge or received a discharge for physical reasons with an
11 honorable record (~~(and who meets at least one of the following two~~
12 ~~criteria:~~

13 ~~(1) The person has served between World War I and World War II or~~
14 ~~during any period of war as either (a) a member in any branch of the~~
15 ~~armed forces of the United States, (b) a member of the women's air~~
16 ~~forces service pilots, or (c) a U.S. documented merchant mariner with~~
17 ~~service aboard an oceangoing vessel operated by the war shipping~~
18 ~~administration, the office of defense transportation, or their agents,~~
19 ~~during the period of armed conflict, December 7, 1941, to August 15,~~

1 1945, or a civil service crewmember with service aboard a U.S. army
2 transport service or U.S. naval transportation service vessel in
3 oceangoing service during the period of armed conflict[,] December 7,
4 1941, to August 15, 1945; or

5 (2) The person has received the armed forces expeditionary medal,
6 or marine corps and navy expeditionary medal, for opposed action on
7 foreign soil, for service (a) in any branch of the armed forces of the
8 United States; or (b) as a member of the women's air forces service
9 pilots.

10 A "period of war" includes World War I, World War II, the Korean
11 conflict, the Vietnam era, and the period beginning on the date of any
12 future declaration of war by the congress and ending on the date
13 prescribed by presidential proclamation or concurrent resolution of the
14 congress. The "Vietnam era" means the period beginning August 5, 1964,
15 and ending on May 7, 1975)) from any branch of the armed forces of the
16 United States.

17 **Sec. 2.** RCW 41.04.010 and 1974 ex.s. c 170 s 1 are each amended to
18 read as follows:

19 In all competitive examinations, unless otherwise provided
20 ((herein)) in this section, to determine the qualifications of
21 applicants for public offices, positions, or employment, the state((7))
22 and all of its political subdivisions and all municipal
23 corporations((7)) shall give a preference status to all veterans as
24 defined in RCW 41.04.005, by adding to the passing mark, grade, or
25 rating only, based upon a possible rating of one hundred points as
26 perfect, a percentage in accordance with the following:

27 (1) Ten percent to a veteran who is not receiving any veterans
28 retirement payments(~~and said~~). The percentage shall be utilized in
29 ((said)) the veteran's competitive examination and not in any
30 promotional examination until one of such examinations results in
31 ((said)) the veteran's first appointment: PROVIDED, That ((said)) the
32 percentage shall not be utilized in any promotional examination;

33 (2) Five percent to a veteran who is receiving any veterans
34 retirement payments ((and said)). The percentage shall be utilized in
35 ((said)) the veteran's competitive examination only and not in any
36 promotional examination until one of such examinations results in
37 ((said)) the veteran's first appointment: PROVIDED, That ((said)) the
38 percentage shall not be utilized in any promotional examination;

1 (3) Five percent to a veteran who, after having previously received
2 employment with the state or any of its political subdivisions or
3 municipal corporations, (~~shall be~~) is called(~~(7)~~) or recalled(~~(7)~~) to
4 active military service for a period of one year(~~(7)~~) or more, during
5 any period of war, for his or her first promotional examination only,
6 upon compliance with RCW 73.16.035 (~~as it now exists or may hereafter~~
7 ~~be amended~~).

8 (~~(4)~~) There shall be no examination preferences other than those
9 (~~which have been~~) specifically provided for (~~above~~) in this section
10 and all preferences (~~above~~) specified in subsections (1), (2), and
11 (3) of this section must be claimed by a veteran within eight years of
12 the date of his or her release from active service. In any examination
13 procedure that involves a written examination and other testing
14 procedures or interviews, the preference required by this section shall
15 be factored into the person's mark, grade, or rating at the time of the
16 written examination.

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