

SENATE BILL 56
EMERGENCY BILL

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2003 Regular Session
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ENROLLED BILL

-- Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs/Ways and Means --

Introduced by **Senators Hooper, Brinkley, Colburn, Dyson, Harris, Jacobs, Klausmeier, Lawlah, Munson, Ruben, Schrader, Stoltzfus, and Stone Stone, and Garagiola Garagiola, Astle, Middleton, Forehand, Currie, and Hogan**

Read and Examined by Proofreaders:

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Sealed with the Great Seal and presented to the Governor, for his approval this
____ day of _____ at _____ o'clock, ____ M.

President.

CHAPTER 210

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Education - High School Diplomas - World War II and Korean Conflict**
3 **Veterans**

4 ~~FOR the purpose of allowing an honorably discharged veteran of World War II to~~
5 ~~apply to certain county boards of education to obtain a high school diploma if the~~
6 ~~individual withdrew from a certain full-time public or private school in the~~
7 ~~individual's junior or senior year in certain circumstances; making this Act an~~
8 ~~emergency measure; and generally relating to high school diplomas for World~~
9 ~~War II veterans.~~

10 FOR the purpose of allowing a certain individual honorably discharged from military
11 service to apply to certain county boards of education to obtain a high school
12 diploma if the individual withdrew from a certain full-time public or private
13 high school under certain circumstances; making this Act an emergency measure;
14 and generally relating to high school diplomas for certain veterans.

1 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
2 Article - Education
3 Section 7-206.1
4 Annotated Code of Maryland
5 (2001 Replacement Volume and 2002 Supplement)

6 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
7 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

8 **Article - Education**

9 7-206.1.

10 (a) ~~(1) AN INDIVIDUAL HONORABLY DISCHARGED FROM MILITARY SERVICE~~
11 ~~MAY APPLY TO OBTAIN A HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA IF THE INDIVIDUAL WITHDREW~~
12 ~~FROM A REGULAR FULL TIME PUBLIC OR PRIVATE SCHOOL ACCREDITED BY THE~~
13 ~~STATE BOARD DURING THE INDIVIDUAL'S JUNIOR OR SENIOR YEAR IN HIGH SCHOOL~~
14 ~~TO ENLIST IN THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES DURING WORLD WAR II.~~

15 ~~(2)~~ An individual honorably discharged from military service may apply
16 to obtain a high school diploma if the individual withdrew from a regular full-time
17 public or private HIGH school accredited by the State Board ~~during the individual's~~
18 ~~senior year in high school~~ to enlist in the armed forces of the United States during
19 ~~{World War II or} the Korean Conflict.~~

20 (b) To obtain a high school diploma under subsection (a) of this section, the
21 individual shall apply to the county board in the county where the individual resides
22 or where the school from which the individual withdrew was located.

23 (c) Each county board shall adopt rules and regulations to establish
24 procedures for awarding diplomas under this section.

25 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is an emergency
26 measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health or safety,
27 has been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members
28 elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall take effect from
29 the date it is enacted.