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CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Education - High School Diplomas - World War II Veterans**

3 FOR the purpose of allowing an individual honorably discharged from military  
4 service to apply to ~~the State Board of Education~~ certain county boards of  
5 education to obtain a high school diploma if the individual withdrew from a  
6 certain full-time public or private school under certain circumstances; requiring  
7 ~~the State Board and the Department of Veterans Affairs to jointly~~ each county  
8 board of education to adopt certain rules and regulations; and generally relating  
9 to high school diplomas.

10 BY adding to  
11 Article - Education  
12 Section 7-206.1  
13 Annotated Code of Maryland  
14 (1999 Replacement Volume)

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

17 **Article - Education**

18 7-206.1.

19 (A) AN INDIVIDUAL HONORABLY DISCHARGED FROM MILITARY SERVICE MAY  
20 ~~APPLY TO THE STATE BOARD~~ TO OBTAIN A HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA IF THE  
21 INDIVIDUAL WITHDREW FROM A REGULAR FULL-TIME PUBLIC OR PRIVATE SCHOOL  
22 ACCREDITED BY THE STATE BOARD DURING THE INDIVIDUAL'S SENIOR YEAR IN

1 HIGH SCHOOL TO ENLIST IN THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES DURING  
2 WORLD WAR II.

3 ~~(B)~~ (B) TO OBTAIN A HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS  
4 SECTION, THE INDIVIDUAL SHALL APPLY TO THE COUNTY BOARD IN THE COUNTY  
5 WHERE THE INDIVIDUAL RESIDES OR WHERE THE SCHOOL FROM WHICH THE  
6 INDIVIDUAL WITHDREW WAS LOCATED.

7 ~~(B)~~ (C) ~~THE STATE BOARD AND THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS~~  
8 ~~SHALL JOINTLY~~ EACH COUNTY BOARD SHALL ADOPT RULES AND REGULATIONS TO  
9 ESTABLISH PROCEDURES FOR AWARDING DIPLOMAS UNDER THIS SECTION.

10 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
11 July 1, 2000.