
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 973 Session of
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INTRODUCED BY PENNYCUICK, TARTAGLIONE, DUSH, PHILLIPS-HILL,
CAPPELLETTI, BAKER, BROWN, CULVER AND MASTRIANO,
OCTOBER 31, 2023

REFERRED TO VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS,
OCTOBER 31, 2023

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 51 (Military Affairs) of the Pennsylvania
2 Consolidated Statutes, in general provisions, providing for
3 veteran of Korean Armed Forces.

4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
5 hereby enacts as follows:

6 Section 1. Title 51 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
7 Statutes is amended by adding a section to read:

8 § 105. Veteran of Korean Armed Forces.

9 (a) Eligibility.--Any resident of this Commonwealth who is
10 an eligible veteran of the Korean Armed Forces and a duly
11 naturalized citizen of the United States shall be afforded the
12 same rights, benefits, recognition and privileges as afforded to
13 veterans of the United States military forces.

14 (b) Proof of service.--Any appropriate Commonwealth agency
15 or department may request supporting documentation to determine
16 that an individual applying for benefits or recognition is an
17 eligible veteran of the Korean Armed Forces. A request may

1 include discharge or separation papers or other documents of
2 proof to establish military service.

3 (c) Definition.--As used in this section, the term "eligible
4 veteran of the Korean Armed Forces" shall mean any member of the
5 Republic of Korea Armed Forces who served on active duty in the
6 Vietnam War between January 9, 1962, and May 7, 1975, and
7 received an honorable discharge or equivalent discharge from
8 military service.

9 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.