NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY 1969 SESSION

CHAPTER 720 SENATE BILL 484

AN ACT TO EXTEND TO VIETNAM VETERANS AND THEIR DEPENDENTS THOSE ENTITLEMENTS HERETOFORE GRANTED THE VETERANS OF PREVIOUS WARS; TO PROVIDE FOR REVOKING SCHOLARSHIPS IN CASES OF CAMPUS DISORDERS; AND TO MAKE CERTAIN EDITORIAL CHANGES IN G.S. 165.

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The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. G.S. 165-44 relating to Korean veterans, as the same now appears in the 1964 Replacement Volume 3D of the General Statutes, is hereby redesignated as "G.S. 165-44(1)", and the second paragraph of said Section is rewritten as follows:

"For the purposes of this Section, the term 'Veterans of the Korean conflict' means those persons serving in the Armed Forces of the United States during the period beginning on June 27, 1950, and ending on January 31, 1955."

- **Sec. 2.** There is hereby added to G.S. 165-44 as amended by Section 1, above, a new subsection to be designated as "(2)", which shall read as follows:
 - Vietnam veterans; benefits and privileges. All benefits and privileges now granted by the laws of this State to veterans of World War I, World War II, the Korean Conflict, and their dependents and next of kin are hereby extended and granted to veterans of the Vietnam era and their dependents and next of kin.

"For purposes of this Section, the term 'Veterans of the Vietnam era' means those persons serving in the Armed Forces of the United States during the period beginning August 5, 1964, and ending on such date as shall be prescribed by Presidential proclamation or concurrent resolution of the Congress."

- **Sec. 3.** Sub-paragraph (d) of G.S. 165-20(4), relating to scholarships for the children of veterans, as the same appears in the 1967 Cumulative Supplement to Volume 3D of the General Statutes, is hereby redesignated as "(e)" and a new subsection to be designated as "(d)" is inserted, which shall read as follows:
- "(d) Vietnam Era, meaning the period beginning on August 5, 1964, and ending on such date as shall be prescribed by Presidential proclamation or concurrent resolution of the Congress."
- **Sec. 4.** The first paragraph of G.S. 165-22.1, as the same appears in the 1967 Cumulative Supplement to Volume 3D of the General Statutes, is hereby designated as "(a)", and is rewritten to include provision for the suspension or revocation of scholarships, so that the amended paragraph shall read as follows:
- "(a) The administration of the scholarship program shall be vested in the North Carolina Department of Veterans Affairs, and the disbursing and accounting activities required shall be a responsibility of the Department of Administration. The Department of Veterans Affairs shall determine the eligibility of applicants, select the scholarship recipients, establish the effective date of scholarships, and may suspend or revoke scholarships if the said Department of Veterans Affairs finds that the recipient does not maintain an adequate academic status, or if the recipient wilfully engages in riots, unlawful demonstrations, the seizure of educational

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buildings, or otherwise engages in disorderly conduct, breaches of the peace or unlawful assemblies. The Department of Veterans Affairs shall maintain the primary and necessary records, and promulgate such rules and regulations not inconsistent with the other provisions of this Article as it deems necessary for the orderly administration of the program. It may require of State educational institutions, as defined in this Article, such reports and other information as it may need to carry out the provisions of this Article. The Department of Administration shall disburse scholarship payments for recipients certified eligible by the Department of Veterans Affairs upon certification of enrollment by the enrolling institution."

- Sec. 5. The second and third paragraphs of G.S. 165-21.1 as the same appear in the 1967 Cumulative Supplement to Volume 3D of the General Statutes, are hereby designated as "(b)" and "(c)", respectively.
- Sec. 6. All laws and clauses of laws in conflict with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed.
 - **Sec. 7.** This Act shall be effective on and after July 1, 1969.
- In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 5th day of June, 16 1969.

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