AN ACT concerning education.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

Section 5. The School Code is amended by changing Section 22-27 as follows:

(105 ILCS 5/22-27)

Sec. 22-27. World War II, and Korean Conflict, and Vietnam Conflict veterans; diplomas.

- (a) Upon request, the school board of any district that maintains grades 10 through 12 may award a diploma to any honorably discharged veteran who:
 - (1) served in the armed forces of the United States during World War $\text{II}_{\underline{L}}$ or the Korean Conflict, or the Vietnam Conflict;
 - (2) resided within an area currently within the district;
 - (3) left high school before graduating in order to serve in the armed forces of the United States; and
 - (4) has not received a high school diploma.
- (b) The State Board of Education and the Department of Veterans' Affairs may issue rules consistent with the provisions of this Section that are necessary to implement this Section.

(Source: P.A. 92-446, eff. 1-1-02; 92-651, eff. 7-11-02.)

Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon becoming law.