

[CHAPTER 598]

AN ACT

December 19, 1941
[H. R. 6009]
[Public Law 359]

To provide pensions at wartime rates for officers and enlisted men of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard disabled in line of duty as a direct result of armed conflict, while engaged in extra hazardous service or while the United States is engaged in war, and for the dependents of those who die from such cause, and for other purposes.

Pensions.
38 U. S. C. § 724,
Vet. Reg. 1 (a).

Rates for certain
disabilities.

Dependents of
deceased veteran.

53 Stat. 1070.
Ante, p. 665.

38 U. S. C. § 724,
Vet. Reg. 1 (a).

Rules and regula-
tions.

Application of pro-
visions.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That subparagraph (c), paragraph I, of part II, Veterans Regulation Numbered 1 (a), as amended, is hereby amended to read as follows:

“(c) Any veteran otherwise entitled to pension under the provisions of part II of this regulation or the general pension law shall be entitled to receive the rate of pension provided in part I of this regulation, if the disability resulted from an injury or disease received in line of duty (1) as a direct result of armed conflict, or (2) while engaged in extra hazardous service, including such service under conditions simulating war, or (3) while the United States is engaged in war.

“The dependents of any deceased veteran, whose death resulted from an injury or disease received in line of duty as described in this subparagraph, otherwise entitled to pension under the provisions of part II of this regulation or the general pension law, shall be entitled to pension at the rates provided for service-connected death compensation benefits for dependents of World War veterans by section 5 of Public Law Numbered 198, Seventy-sixth Congress, as amended (U. S. C., title 38, sec. 472b), or if barred by the insurance limitations thereof, the rates provided by paragraph IV of part I, Veterans Regulation Numbered 1 (a), as amended.”

SEC. 2. The Administrator of Veterans' Affairs is hereby authorized to make rules and regulations, not inconsistent with the provisions of this Act, which are necessary to carry out its purposes.

SEC. 3. The provisions of this Act shall also apply to disability or death occurring prior to the effective date of this Act, but payments authorized by this Act shall not be made for any period prior to the date of enactment, or the date of receipt in the Veterans' Administration of application for the benefits thereof, whichever is the later date.

This Act shall not be so construed as to reduce any pension under any Act, public or private.

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[CHAPTER 602]

AN ACT

December 20, 1941
[H. R. 6215]
[Public Law 360]

Selective Training
and Service Act of
1940, amendments.

Registration; age
limits.

To amend the Selective Training and Service Act of 1940 by providing for the extension of liability for military service and for the registration of the manpower of the Nation, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 2 of the Selective Training and Service Act of 1940 (54 Stat. 885; U. S. C., title 50, App. sec. 302), as amended, be, and it hereby is, amended to read as follows:

“SEC. 2. Except as otherwise provided in this Act, it shall be the duty of every male citizen of the United States, and of every other male person residing in the United States, who, on the day or days fixed for the first or any subsequent registration, is between the ages of eighteen and sixty-five, to present himself for and submit to registration at such time or times and place or places, and in such manner and in such age group or groups, as shall be determined by rules and regulations prescribed hereunder.”