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HARRY S. TRUMAN, President; ARTHUR H. VANDENBERG, President of the Senate *pro tempore;* JOSEPH W. MARTIN, Jr., Speaker of the House of Representatives.

[CHAPTER 1]

AN ACT

To extend veterans' preference benefits to widowed mothers of certain ex-servicemen and ex-servicewomen.

January 19, 1948
[H. R. 1426]
[Public Law 396]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 2 of the Veterans' Preference Act of 1944 is amended by striking out the period at the end thereof and inserting a semicolon and the following: "(5) widowed mothers (if they have not remarried and were widows at the time of the death or disability of their ex-serviceman son or ex-servicewoman daughter)—

Veterans' Preference Act of 1944, amendments.
58 Stat. 387.
5 U. S. C. § 851.
Post, p. 1233.
Widowed mothers of deceased or disabled ex-servicemen.

"(A) of deceased ex-servicemen or ex-servicewomen who lost their lives while on active duty in any branch of the armed forces of the United States during any war, or in any campaign or expedition (for which a campaign badge has been authorized), or

"(B) of service-connected permanently and totally disabled ex-servicemen or ex-servicewomen,

if said ex-serviceman or ex-servicewoman was separated from such armed forces under honorable conditions; and (6) a mother of a deceased ex-serviceman or ex-servicewoman who lost his or her life while on active duty in any branch of the armed forces of the United States during any war, or in any campaign or expedition (for which a campaign badge has been authorized), or of a service-connected permanently and totally disabled ex-serviceman or ex-servicewoman, if (A) said ex-serviceman or ex-servicewoman was separated from such armed forces under honorable conditions, (B) the mother was divorced or legally separated from the father of said ex-serviceman son or ex-servicewoman daughter, and (C) said ex-serviceman son or ex-servicewoman daughter is the only child of said mother".

Mother of deceased or disabled ex-serviceman.

SEC. 2. Section 3 of the Veterans' Preference Act of 1944 is amended by striking out "and (3)," after the second comma in the first sentence, and inserting the following: "(3), (5) and (6),".

58 Stat. 388.
5 U. S. C. § 852; Supp. I, § 852 note.

SEC. 3. Section 10 of the Veterans' Preference Act of 1944 is amended by striking out "and (3)" and inserting "(3), (5) and (6)".

58 Stat. 390.
5 U. S. C. § 859.

Approved January 19, 1948.