SEC. 2. Pension shall not be paid for any period prior to the effective date of this Act to any person whose eligibility for pension is established solely by virtue of this Act.

Approved July 21, 1961.

Public Law 87-102

AN ACT

July 21, 1961
[H. R. 6269]

To extend the provisions for benefits based on limited periods immediately following discharge from active duty after December 31, 1956, to veterans discharged before that date.

Veterans, Benefits following discharge.
72 Stat. 1110.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 106(c) of title 38, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

"(c) For the purposes of this title, an individual discharged or released from a period of active duty shall be deemed to have continued on active duty during the period of time immediately following the date of such discharge or release from such duty determined by the Secretary concerned to have been required for him to proceed to his home by the most direct route, and in any event he shall be deemed to have continued on active duty until midnight of the date of such discharge or release."

SEC. 2. No monetary benefits shall accrue by reason of the amendments made by this Act for any period prior to the date of enactment.

Approved July 21, 1961.

Public Law 87-103

AN ACT

July 25, 1961
[H. R. 4324]

To provide uniformity in certain conditions of entitlement to reenlistment bonuses under the Career Compensation Act of 1949, and for other purposes.

Armed Forces, Reenlistment bonuses.
68 Stat. 488.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That sections 207(e) and 208 of the Career Compensation Act of 1949, as amended (37 U.S.C. 238(e), 239), are each amended by striking out the words "ninety days" wherever they appear therein and inserting the words "three months" in place thereof.

SEC. 2. Any individual who—

(1) reenlisted in the regular component of the uniformed service concerned after July 15, 1954;

(2) reenlisted within three months but more than ninety days after the date of his discharge or release from active duty; and

(3) received no reenlistment bonus, or received an enlistment allowance, or a reenlistment bonus computed under the provisions of section 207 of the Career Compensation Act,

may be paid a reenlistment bonus under section 208 of such Act if he received no bonus, or may be paid the difference between the amount of the enlistment allowance or reenlistment bonus that he actually received and the amount that he would have received if his reenlistment bonus had been computed under the provisions of section 208 of such Act. To be eligible for payment under this section, an individual must apply for the payment within one year after the date of enactment of this Act.

SEC. 3. Retroactive payments shall be made from appropriations applicable at the date of reenlistment or from appropriations currently available for military pay and allowances.

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