SENATE BILL 5477

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By Senators Conner, Rasmussen, Bauer and Nelson.

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to veterans; and amending RCW 41.04.005 and
- 2 72.36.035.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 Sec. 1. RCW 41.04.005 and 1984 c 36 s 1 are each amended to read
- 5 as follows:
- 6 As used in RCW 41.04.005, 41.04.010, 41.16.220, and 41.20.050
- 7 "veteran" includes every person, who at the time he or she seeks the
- 8 benefits of RCW 28B.40.361, 41.04.005, 41.04.010, 41.16.220, 41.20.050,
- 9 41.40.170, 73.04.110, or 73.08.080 has received an honorable discharge
- 10 or received a discharge for physical reasons with an honorable record
- 11 and: (1)(a) Has served in any branch of the armed forces of the United
- 12 States, or (b) has served as a member of the Women's Air Forces Service
- 13 Pilots, or as the master, an officer, or a crew member of a merchant
- 14 vessel commissioned in the navy or in the service of the army or the
- 15 navy and has received a certificate of release or discharge from active

- 1 duty (also known as "DD Form 214"), between World War I and World War
- 2 II or during any period of war; or (2)(a) has served in any branch of
- 3 the armed forces of the United States, or (b) has served as a member of
- 4 the Women's Air Forces Service Pilots, or as the master, an officer, or
- 5 a crew member of a merchant vessel commissioned in the navy or in the
- 6 service of the army or the navy and has received a certificate of
- 7 release or discharge from active duty (also known as "DD Form 214"),
- 8 and has received the armed forces expeditionary medal, or Marine Corps
- 9 and Navy expeditionary medal, for opposed action on foreign soil. A
- 10 "period of war" includes World War I, World War II, the Korean
- 11 conflict, the Vietnam era, and the period beginning on the date of any
- 12 future declaration of war by the congress and ending on the date
- 13 prescribed by presidential proclamation or concurrent resolution of the
- 14 congress. The "Vietnam era" means the period beginning August 5, 1964,
- 15 and ending on May 7, 1975.
- 16 **Sec. 2.** RCW 72.36.035 and 1977 ex.s. c 186 s 11 are each amended
- 17 to read as follows:
- 18 For purposes of this chapter, unless the context clearly indicates
- 19 otherwise, "actual bona fide residents of this state" shall mean
- 20 persons who have a domicile in the state of Washington immediately
- 21 prior to application for membership in the soldiers' home or colony or
- 22 veterans' home. The term "domicile" shall mean a person's true, fixed,
- 23 and permanent home and place of habitation, and shall be the place
- 24 where the person intends to remain, and to which the person expects to
- 25 return when the person leaves without intending to establish a new
- 26 domicile elsewhere; and "veteran" includes, but is not limited to, a
- 27 person who has served as a member of the Women's Air Forces Service
- 28 Pilots, or as the master, an officer or a crew member of a merchant
- 29 <u>vessel commissioned in the navy or in the service of the army or the</u>

- 1 navy and has received a certificate of release or discharge from active
- 2 duty (also known as "DD Form 214").