

By the Committee on Education and Senator Kirkpatrick

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1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to high school diplomas;
 3 amending s. 232.246, F.S.; providing for the
 4 award of a high school diploma to certain
 5 honorably discharged World War II veterans;
 6 providing an effective date.

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8 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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10 Section 1. Subsection (11) is added to section
11 232.246, Florida Statutes, to read:

12 232.246 General requirements for high school
13 graduation.--

14 (11) The Commissioner of Education may award a high
 15 school diploma to honorably discharged veterans who started
 16 high school between 1937 and 1946 and were scheduled to
 17 graduate between 1941 and 1950 but were inducted into the
 18 United States Armed Forces between September 16, 1940, and
 19 December 31, 1946, prior to completing the necessary high
 20 school graduation requirements. Upon the recommendation of the
 21 commissioner, the State Board of Education may develop
 22 criteria and guidelines for awarding such diplomas.

23 Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a
24 law.

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 26 STATEMENT OF SUBSTANTIAL CHANGES CONTAINED IN
 27 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
 28 SB 1864

29 The committee substitute removes the word honorary before the
30 words high school diploma. It also deleted the effective date
31 of July 1, 2000 and makes the bill effective upon becoming
law.