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An act relating to high school graduation requirements; amending s. 232.246, F.S.; providing for the award of a standard high school diploma to certain Korean War Veterans; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Subsection (12) is added to section 232.246, Florida Statutes, to read:

232.246 General requirements for high school graduation.--

(12) The Commissioner of Education may award a standard high school diploma to honorably discharged veterans who started high school between 1946 and 1950 and were scheduled to graduate between 1950 and 1954, but were inducted into the United States Armed Forces between June 1950 and January 1954, and served during the Korean War prior to completing the necessary high school graduation requirements. Upon the recommendation of the commissioner, the State Board of Education may develop criteria and guidelines for awarding such diplomas.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2002.