| 1      | HB 0875 2004<br>A bill to be entitled  |
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|        | An act relating to requirements for high school  |
| 3      | graduation; amending s. 1003.43, F.S.; amending certain                                      |
| 4      | prerequisites to allow the award of a standard high school                                   |
| 5      | diploma to honorably discharged veterans of the Korean War                                   |
| б      | who did not complete the necessary graduation  |
| 7      | requirements; providing an effective date.   |
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| 9      | Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:                                    |
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| 11     | Section 1. Subsection (13) of section 1003.43, Florida                                       |
| 12     | Statutes, is amended to read:  |
| 13     | 1003.43 General requirements for high school graduation                                      |
| 14     | (13) The Commissioner of Education may award a standard                                      |
| 15     | high school diploma to honorably discharged veterans who started                             |
| 16     | high school between 1946 and 1950 and were scheduled to graduate                             |
| 17     | between <u>1949</u> $\frac{1950}{1950}$ and $\frac{1955}{1954}$ , but were inducted into the |
| 18     | United States Armed Forces between June 1950 and January <u>1955</u>                         |
| 19     | <del>1954</del> , and served during the Korean War prior to completing the                   |
| 20     | necessary high school graduation requirements. Upon the                                      |
| 21     | recommendation of the commissioner, the State Board of Education                             |
| 22     | may develop criteria and guidelines for awarding such diplomas.                              |
| 23     | Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2004.  |
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