

1 IN THE HOUSE

BY MR. METCALFE

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 108

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE TERRITORY OF ALASKA

4 TWENTY-SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act to amend Section 44-2-14, ACLA,
7 1949, as amended by Chapter 87, Session
8 Laws of Alaska, 1949, pertaining to
9 veterans loans and bonuses."

10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE TERRITORY OF ALASKA:

11 Section 1. That Section 44-2-14, ACLA, 1949, as amended
12 by Chapter 87 of the Session Laws of Alaska of 1949, is hereby
13 amended to read as follows:

14 Sec. 44-2-14. LOANS, BONUS AND BENEFICIARY PROVISIONS.

15 (Limitation on securing both bonus and loan.) Persons
16 eligible for loans under this Act shall also be eligible
17 for the bonus hereinafter authorized, provided, however,
18 that the bonus for which each veteran may be eligible shall
19 be an alternative to the loan privileges hereinabove pre-
20 scribed, until such bonus shall be repaid. It is the in-
21 tent and purpose hereof that if an eligible person elects
22 to take the bonus and obtains same, he shall thereafter
23 be disqualified under the loan provisions hereof, until
24 the amount of the bonus ^{plus} together with accrued interest
25 shall have been repaid. Likewise, if he elects to borrow
26 and obtains any loan authorized by this Act, he shall
27 thereby forfeit his claim to a bonus hereunder.

28 (Bonus authorized.) The payment of an Alaskan veter-
29 ans cash bonus is hereby authorized to all eligible persons

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1 who apply for same and who have not previously disqualified
2 themselves by having contracted a loan or loans hereunder.

3 (Amount of bonus.) The bonus shall be a sum in
4 dollars equal to the number of months which the veteran
5 spent in service, or fraction thereof, multiplied by ten,
6 providing no bonus should be paid to an enlistee or re-
7 enlistee for time served after November 1, 1945, regard-
8 less of whether said enlistment or reenlistment was prior
9 or subsequent to November 1, 1945.

10 (Payment of bonus.) The payment of bonuses shall be
11 administered by the Veterans' Commissioner in accordance
12 with rules and procedures prescribed by the Board.

13 (a) Beneficiaries: (Eligibility for loans.) Quali-
14 fications of persons coming under the provisions of this
15 Act in order to be eligible for loans hereunder shall be
16 as follows:

17 (1) (Service requirements: Residence.) Persons who
18 have served in the armed forces of the United States for
19 ONE YEAR ninety days or more, or persons whose service
20 shall have been less than ONE YEAR ninety days because
21 of injury or disability incurred in line of duty, between
22 September 16, 1940, and July 25, 1947, who have been separ-
23 ated from the armed forces with an honorable discharge or
24 honorable separation, who at the time of induction into
25 the service were residents of the Territory of Alaska, who
26 had been residents for not less than one year immediately
27 prior to their induction and who have returned to the
28 Territory after discharge as residents with the intention
29 of remaining in the Territory ✓ . ✓ PROVIDED THAT NO

1 PERSON WHO IS AN ENLISTEE OR REENLISTEE SHALL BE ELIGIBLE
2 FOR A LOAN BY VIRTUE OF TIME SERVED AFTER NOVEMBER 1, 1945,
3 REGARDLESS OF WHETHER SAID ENLISTMENT OR REENLISTMENT WAS
4 PRIOR OR SUBSEQUENT TO NOVEMBER 1, 1945.]

5 (2) (Dependents.) Persons who were dependent on a
6 member of the armed forces or veteran of World War II, at
7 the time of such member's or veteran's death, provided:

8 (a) Such member or veteran was a resident of the
9 Territory for one year prior to induction into the service;
10 and

11 (b) Served in the armed forces for at least ONE
12 YEAR ninety days between September 16, 1940, and July
13 25, 1947, provided no benefits for loans shall accrue to
14 dependents of an enlistee or reenlistee for time served
15 after November 1, 1945, regardless of whether said enlist-
16 ment or reenlistment was prior or subsequent to November 1,
17 1945; and

18 (c) Dies prior to the official date of the termin-
19 ation of said war; and

20 (d) Was not discharged other than honorably.

21 Such dependents must be unmarried and the deceased
22 member of the armed forces or deceased veteran must have
23 been their chief means of support and they must be either
24 a widow, widower, minor son, minor daughter; or mother,
25 father, sister or brother incapable of self-support. Such
26 dependents must be residents of the Territory at the time
27 of making such application and intend to reside therein
28 permanently. The rights of minor children hereunder may be
29 exercised only if they have no surviving parent and have a

1 duly appointed guardian who may make application on their
2 behalf to secure a loan for their care, support, education
3 or other purposes mentioned in subsection (e), (1) of
4 Section 2 OF THIS ACT/ 44-2-12, ACLA, 1949, or receive the
5 bonus for said purposes.

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7 (3) (Eligibility in Alaska only.) No person shall be
8 eligible for any benefits hereunder if he is eligible under
9 the laws of any State or other Territory for a veterans
10 loan or bonus.

11 (4) (Termination date for determination of eligibility.)
12 Any person who has not previously qualified under the pro-
13 visions of Section 44-2-14, ACLA, 1949, as amended by
14 Chapter 57, Session Laws of Alaska, 1949, shall have
15 applied for determination of his eligibility as of the
16 31st day of December, 1955.

17 (b) Qualifications: (Bonus eligibility.) Qualifi-
18 cations of persons coming under the provisions of this Act
19 in order to be eligible for bonuses shall be as follows:

20 (1) AS TO PERSONS WHO HAVE RETURNED TO THE TERRITORY
21 AFTER HONORABLE DISCHARGE OR HONORABLE SEPARATION AND HAVE
22 THE INTENTION OF REMAINING IN THE TERRITORY, THE QUALIFI-
23 CATIONS SHALL BE THOSE CONTAINED IN SECTION 4, (a), 7
24 Persons who have served in the armed forces of the United
25 States for one year or more, or persons whose service shall
26 have been less than one year because of injury or disability
27 incurred in line of duty, between September 16, 1940, and
28 July 25, 1947, who have been separated from the armed
29 forces with an honorable discharge or honorable separation,
30 who at the time of induction into the service were

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1 residents of the Territory of Alaska, who had been
2 residents for not less than one year immediately prior to
3 their induction and who have returned to the Territory
4 after discharge as residents with the intention of remain-
5 ing in the Territory.

6 (2) As to persons who have not returned to the
7 Territory after honorable discharge or honorable separation
8 and do not have the intention of remaining in the Territory,
9 the qualifications shall be those contained in SECTION 4,
10 (a) 7 subsection (6), (1), of this Act and an additional
11 requirement of five years residence in the Territory
12 immediately prior to the time of induction.
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