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1 IN THE HOUSE

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 153

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE TERRITORY OF ALASKA

4 TWENTY-THIRD SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to eligibility under the  
7 'Alaska World War II Veterans' Act', Sec-  
8 tions 44-2-11 through 44-2-14 ACLA 1949, as  
9 amended by Ch. 87, SLA 1949, Ch. 83, SLA  
10 1951, Ch. 96, SLA 1953, Ch. 19, SLA 1955,  
11 and Ch. 137, SLA 1955; authorizing the  
12 Legislative Audit Committee to transfer funds  
13 for the 'Alaska World War II Veterans' Re-  
14 volving Fund' to the General Fund."

15 PREAMBLE

16 WHEREAS, more than eleven years have elapsed since the termi-  
17 nation of hostilities in World War II; and

18 WHEREAS, one of the primary purposes for enacting in 1946 the  
19 "Alaska World War II Veterans' Act", as amended, was to demonstrate  
20 to Alaska Veterans the appreciation of Alaskans for service to  
21 Nation and Territory and to show that appreciation by providing  
22 financial assistance to enable readier economic readjustment of  
23 veterans to civilian life; and

24 WHEREAS, said program was designed as a temporary and not as  
25 a permanent or repeating source of financial assistance; and

26 WHEREAS, said loan program was later extended to veterans of  
27 the Korean Conflict.

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

29 Section 1. ELIGIBILITY FOR BENEFITS UNDER THE "ALASKA WORLD

1 WAR II VETERANS' ACT", AS AMENDED. From and after the effective  
2 date of this Act, the following persons shall be ineligible to re-  
3 ceive future benefits under the "Alaska World War II Veterans'  
4 Act", as amended, Section 44-2-11 through 44-2-14 ACLA 1949, as  
5 amended by Ch. 87, SLA 1949, Ch. 83, SLA 1951, Ch. 96, SLA 1953,  
6 Ch. 19, SLA 1955, and Ch. 137, SLA 1955:

7 (1) All World War II veterans and their dependents;  
8 (2) Only those veterans of the Korean Conflict and/or  
9 their dependents, who have received a loan under the said Act as  
10 amended. Provided, however, that from and after July 1, 1962, no  
11 veterans of the Korean Conflict, or their dependents, shall be  
12 eligible for the benefits of said Act, as amended. Provided,  
13 further, however, that contracts in effect entered into under said  
14 Act, as amended, shall be continued in full force and effect until  
15 fully performed by both parties.

16 Sec. 2. AUTHORITY OF LEGISLATIVE AUDIT COMMITTEE TO TRANSFER  
17 FUNDS. The Legislative Audit Committee is hereby granted authority  
18 to transfer monies from the "Alaska World War II Veterans' Revolv-  
19 ing Fund" to the General Fund when and as said Committee deems  
20 such transfers practicable without endangering the economic sound-  
21 ness or stability of said program as hereafter to be conducted on a  
22 liquidating basis.

23 Sec. 3. TRANSFERRING FUNCTIONS OF OFFICE OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS  
24 TO TERRITORIAL TREASURER. Effective July 1, 1962, the Office of  
25 Veterans' Affairs is abolished and its remaining functions, files,  
26 records and equipment shall be transferred to the Territorial  
27 Treasurer, which officer shall be expressly charged with the  
28 collection of then outstanding monies owing to the Territory of  
29 Alaska or to the Office of Veterans' Affairs under provisions of

1 said Act.

2 Sec. 4. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent and purpose  
3 of this Act to terminate the loan and bonus provisions of "The  
4 Alaska World War II Veterans' Act", as amended, as to World War II  
5 veterans and Korean veterans who have already received benefits,  
6 on the effective date of this Act, as to veterans of the Korean  
7 Conflict who have not as yet received benefits on July 1, 1962,  
8 to abolish the Office of Veterans Affairs on July 1, 1962, and  
9 to make provision for the repayment of loans now or hereafter  
10 owing to the Territory under the provisions of said Act, as  
11 amended.

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