



# HOUSE BILL No. 6036

September 11, 1996, Introduced by Rep. Profit and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 245 of the Public Acts of 1935, entitled as amended

"An act to provide educational opportunities for the children of certain members of the armed forces of the United States,"

as amended by Act No. 335 of the Public Acts of 1996, being section 35.111 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Section 1. Section 1 of Act No. 245 of the Public Acts of  
2 1935, as amended by Act No. 335 of the Public Acts of 1996, being  
3 section 35.111 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, is amended to read  
4 as follows:

5 Sec. 1. (1) ~~A~~ SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (6), A person greater  
6 than 16 years of age and less than 26 years of age who has been a  
7 resident of this state for the preceding 12 months, and who is a  
8 child of a Michigan veteran who was killed in action or died from

1 other cause during a war or war condition in which the United  
2 States has been, is, or may be a participant, or who as a result  
3 of service connected illness or injury has since died or is  
4 totally disabled, or who as a result of service connected illness  
5 or injury was totally disabled before death from any cause, or  
6 who is officially listed by the United States government as miss-  
7 ing in action in a foreign country, may, as provided in this act,  
8 attend an educational or training institution of an undergraduate  
9 college grade in this state.

10 (2) A person's attendance at an institution located in this  
11 state pursuant to this act shall not exceed 36 month's full-time  
12 equated college undergraduate education.

13 (3) A person admitted to a Michigan tax supported institu-  
14 tion or accepted into the state paid tuition program for a  
15 Michigan tax supported institution under this act before  
16 October 1, 1996 is not required to pay tuition or any other fee  
17 that takes the place of tuition charges during the time in which  
18 that person is a college undergraduate grade student at the  
19 institution.

20 (4) A person described in subsection (1) who is either of  
21 the following before October 1, 1996 is not required to pay the  
22 first \$2,800.00 per year of tuition or any other fee that takes  
23 the place of tuition charges during the time in which that person  
24 is a college undergraduate student at an institution as described  
25 in subsection (1):

26 (a) Admitted under this act to an institution that is not a  
27 Michigan tax supported institution.

1 (b) Accepted into the state paid tuition program for an  
2 institution that is not Michigan tax supported.

3 (5) A person admitted to an institution located in this  
4 state pursuant to this act on or after October 1, 1996 is not  
5 required to pay the first \$2,800.00 per year of tuition or any  
6 other fee that takes the place of tuition charges during the time  
7 in which that person is a full-time college undergraduate student  
8 at the institution.

9 (6) IF A DETERMINATION THAT A PERSON IS ELIGIBLE FOR BENE-  
10 FITS UNDER THIS SECTION IS DELAYED BECAUSE THE UNITED STATES  
11 DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS DELAYS FOR MORE THAN 6 MONTHS IN  
12 DETERMINING THAT A MICHIGAN VETERAN HAS DIED OR IS TOTALLY DIS-  
13 ABLED AS A RESULT OF EXPOSURE TO AGENT ORANGE, THE PERSON'S ELI-  
14 GIBILITY UNDER THIS ACT IS EXTENDED BEYOND AGE 26 FOR A PERIOD  
15 EQUAL TO THE TIME LOST DUE TO THE DELAY BY THE UNITED STATES  
16 DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS. IF BECAUSE OF A DELAY DESCRIBED  
17 IN THIS SUBSECTION A PERSON OTHERWISE EXEMPT FROM PAYING TUITION  
18 OR A FEE UNDER THIS ACT PAYS THAT TUITION OR FEE, THE TUITION OR  
19 FEE PAID SHALL BE REFUNDED TO THE PERSON IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING A  
20 DETERMINATION THAT THE PERSON IS ELIGIBLE FOR BENEFITS UNDER THIS  
21 SECTION.

22 (7) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "AGENT ORANGE" MEANS THAT TERM  
23 AS DEFINED IN SECTION 5701 OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH CODE, ACT NO. 368  
24 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1978, BEING SECTION 333.5701 OF THE  
25 MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS.