

38A:15-2

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY CHECKLIST

NJSA: 38A:15-2 (Distinguished service medals--
National Guard or Federal Service--
active duty)

LAWS OF: 1987 **CHAPTER:** 388

Bill No: S1835

Sponsor(s): Gagliano

Date Introduced: March 3, 1986

Committee: **Assembly:** State Government

Senate: State Government, Federal and Interstate Relations and
Veterans' Affairs.

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by asterisks.

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Senate: October 9, 1986

Date of Approval: January 13, 1988

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SENATE, No. 1835

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

INTRODUCED MARCH 3, 1986

By Senator GAGLIANO

Referred to Committee on State Government and Federal and
Interstate Relations and Veterans Affairs

AN ACT to authorize the presentation of distinguished service medals to residents who served in the organized militia or in federal military service on active duty in time of war or emergency and amending N. J. S. 38A:15-2.

1 BE IT ENACTED *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*
2 *of New Jersey:*

1 1. N. J. S. 38A:15-2 is amended to read as follows:

2 38A:15-2. The Governor may present in the name of the State
3 of New Jersey a distinguished service medal of appropriate design,
4 and ribbon to be worn in lieu thereof, to any member of the orga-
5 nized militia* **[**, or any resident of the State of New Jersey who
6 served in the organized militia or in federal military service on
7 active duty in time of war or emergency.**]*** who, while serving in
8 any capacity in the organized militia under orders of the Gov-
9 ernor, or while in federal service, shall distinguish himself by
10 especially meritorious service and who has been or may be cited
11 in orders for distinguished service by the Governor or by appro-
12 priate federal authority*, or to any resident of the State of New
13 Jersey, who while serving in the organized militia or in federal
14 military service on active duty in time of war or emergency, shall
15 distinguish himself by especially meritorious service and who has
16 been or may be cited in orders for distinguished service by the
17 Governor or by appropriate federal authority*.

1 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

POLICE, SECURITY AND DEFENSE

Authorizes the presentation of distinguished service medals to residents who served in the organized militia or in federal military service on active duty in time of war or emergency.

EXPLANATION--Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

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Matter enclosed in asterisks or stars has been adopted as follows:

*--Senate committee amendments adopted June 9, 1986.

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STATEMENT

This bill authorizes the presentation of distinguished service medals to residents who served in the New Jersey National Guard or in federal military service on active duty in time of war or emergency. At present, these medals are authorized only for

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members of the National Guard. Many residents have rendered distinguished military service in the defense of their country in times of war or other military action. They have received no recognition from the State for this service. This bill makes such recognition possible.

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ASSEMBLY STATE GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

Statement to

SENATE BILL NO. 1835 OCR

Dated: September 10, 1987

The Assembly State Government Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 1835 OCR.

This bill authorizes the presentation of distinguished service medals to State residents who served in the New Jersey National Guard or in federal military service on active duty in time of war or emergency.

Under current law, these medals are authorized only for a member of the State National Guard who, while serving in any capacity in the organized militia under orders of the Governor, or while in federal service, shall distinguish himself by especially meritorious service and who has been or may be cited in orders for distinguished service by the Governor or by an appropriate federal authority.

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SENATE STATE GOVERNMENT AND FEDERAL AND
INTERSTATE RELATIONS AND VETERANS AFFAIRS
COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 1835

with Senate committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JUNE 9, 1986

The Senate State Government Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Senate Bill No. 1835.

This bill authorizes the presentation of distinguished service medals to State residents who served in the New Jersey National Guard or in federal military service on active duty in time of war or emergency.

Under current law, these medals are authorized only for members of the State National Guard.

According to the sponsor's statement, the proposed change would enable residents who have rendered distinguished military service to receive recognition from the State for their service.

The committee amended the bill to place the amendatory language in a more appropriate location in the current law so as to avoid ambiguity and confusion.