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NJSA: 38:20-3

(Veterans
Children--Orphan
Education)

LAWS OF: 1991

CHAPTER: 39

Bill No: A2929

Sponsor(s): Foy

Date Introduced: February 5, 1990

Committee: Assembly: Veterans Affairs

Senate: State Government

Amended during passage: No

Date of Passage: Assembly: March 22, 1990

Senate: February 25, 1991

Date of Approval: February 25, 1991

Following statements are attached if available:

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Committee Statement: Assembly: Yes

Senate: Yes

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Veto Message: No

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2 program from one principal department to another and
3 amending R.S.38:20-3.

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5 BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the
6 State of New Jersey:

7 1. R.S.38:20-3 is amended to read as follows:

8 38:20-3. Application for such benefits shall be made to the
9 Department of [Conservation and Economic Development]
10 Military and Veterans' Affairs, which shall make rules and
11 regulations to effectuate the provisions thereof. It shall
12 ascertain and approve the educational aptitude of the applicant
13 for the course of study desired to be pursued in accordance with
14 tests or standards prescribed or approved by the State
15 Department of Education and the financial need of the applicant
16 and may satisfy itself of the attendance of such applicants and
17 the accuracy of the charges made by the institution which the
18 applicant attends. No more than [4] four annual allotments of
19 \$500.00 each shall be allowed any such applicant.

20 (cf: P.L.1955, c.174; s.3)

21 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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24 STATEMENT

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26 The purpose of this bill is to transfer authority for the
27 administration of the Veterans' Orphans Educational Grants
28 program from the Department of Human Services to the
29 Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs.

30 Before the establishment of the Department of Military and
31 Veterans' Affairs, the Department of Human Services
32 administered this program as well as most other veterans'
33 programs. With the enactment of P.L.1987, c.444 in January of
34 1988, the Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs took
35 over the administration of most veterans programs including this
36 program, even though the transfer of this program was not
37 specifically provided for in that legislation. This bill provides
38 that specific transfer of authority to the department to
39 administer the program.

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

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

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- 4 Educational Grant program from the Department of Human
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ASSEMBLY VETERANS AND MILITARY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 2929

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: FEBRUARY 8, 1990

The Assembly Veterans and Military Affairs Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 2929.

The purpose of this bill is to transfer authority for the administration of the Veterans' Orphans Educational Grants program from the Department of Human Services to the Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs.

In 1952, the administration of this program was given to the Department of Conservation and Economic Development. In 1970, that department was reorganized, continued and designated as the Department of Environmental Protection and veterans' programs were transferred to the Department of Institutions and Agencies, the predecessor to the present Department of Human Services. With the enactment of P.L.1987, c.444 in January of 1988, the Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs took over the administration of most veterans programs including the Veterans' Orphans Educational Grants program, even though the transfer of this program was not specifically provided for in that legislation. This bill provides that specific transfer of authority to the department to administer the program.

The Veterans' Educational Grants program, which became law in 1930, provides annual grants of \$500 to any child between the ages of 16 and 21 years whose parent was a resident of the State who was killed in action or who died while a member of the Armed Forces of the United States during time of war or emergency or who was officially listed as "Missing in Action" or who died of disease or disability resulting from such war or emergency service. Each qualified war orphan is eligible for no more than four annual grants. This money must be used to defray the cost of attending a technical or professional school of a secondary or college grade, approved by the State Board of Education and located in this State. Between FY 1987 and FY 1990, 31 persons participated in this program.

SENATE STATE GOVERNMENT AND FEDERAL
AND INTERSTATE RELATIONS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 2929

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MAY 21, 1990

The Senate State Government and Federal and Interstate Relations Committee reports favorably Assembly, No. 2929.

This bill provides the Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs with the authority to administer the Veterans' Orphans Educational Grants program.

Before the establishment of the Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs, the Department of Conservation and Economic Development and then the Department of Human Services administered this program. With the enactment of P.L.1987, c.444 in January of 1988, the Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs took over the administration of most veterans programs including the Veterans' Orphans Educational Grants program, even though the transfer of this program was not specifically provided for in that act. This bill provides the department with a specific grant of authority to administer the program.

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