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SPONSOR(S): Cafiero and Lesniak

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COMMITTEE:

ASSEMBLY: ~~~~

SENATE: ~~~~

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S1155

SPONSORS STATEMENT: *Yes* (Begins on page 5 of original bill)

COMMITTEE STATEMENT:

ASSEMBLY:*No*

SENATE: *No*

FLOOR AMENDMENT STATEMENTS:*Yes*

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE: *No*

A2131

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COMMITTEE STATEMENT:

ASSEMBLY: *Yes*

SENATE: *No*

FLOOR AMENDMENT STATEMENTS: *No*

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SENATE, No. 1155

STATE OF NEW JERSEY
208th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED MAY 28, 1998

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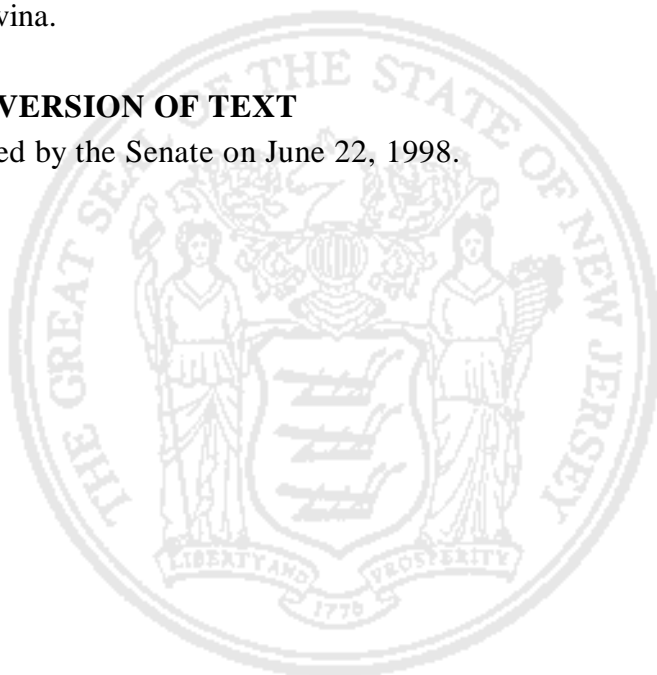
**Senators Kavanaugh, Allen, Assemblymen Asselta, Gregg, Cohen,
Azzolina, Suliga, Gibson and Thompson**

SYNOPSIS

Extends certain veterans' benefits to certain participants in Somalia, Bosnia and Herzegovina.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As amended by the Senate on June 22, 1998.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 6/26/1998)

1 AN ACT concerning the qualification of certain persons as veterans for
2 ¹**[civil service]** certain¹ purposes and amending N.J.S.11A:5-1¹ and
3 P.L.1963, c.171¹.

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

7
8 1. N.J.S.11A:5-1 is amended to read as follows:

9 11A:5-1. Definitions. As used in this chapter:

10 a. "Disabled veteran" means any veteran who is eligible to be
11 compensated for a service-connected disability from war service by the
12 United States Veterans Administration or who receives or is entitled
13 to receive equivalent compensation for a service-connected disability
14 which arises out of military or naval service as set forth in this chapter
15 and who has submitted sufficient evidence of the record of disability
16 incurred in the line of duty to the commissioner on or before the
17 closing date for filing an application for an examination;

18 b. "Veteran" means any honorably discharged soldier, sailor,
19 marine or nurse who served in any army or navy of the allies of the
20 United States in World War I, between July 14, 1914 and November
21 11, 1918, or who served in any army or navy of the allies of the United
22 States in World War II, between September 1, 1939 and September 2,
23 1945 and who was inducted into that service through voluntary
24 enlistment, and was a citizen of the United States at the time of the
25 enlistment, and who did not renounce or lose his or her United States
26 citizenship; or any soldier, sailor, marine, airman, nurse or army field
27 clerk, who has served in the active military or naval service of the
28 United States and has been discharged or released under other than
29 dishonorable conditions from that service in any of the following wars
30 or conflicts and who has presented to the commissioner sufficient
31 evidence of the record of service on or before the closing date for
32 filing an application for an examination:

33 (1) World War I, between April 6, 1917 and November 11, 1918;

34 (2) World War II, on or after September 16, 1940, who shall have
35 served at least 90 days beginning on or before December 31, 1946 in
36 such active service, exclusive of any period of assignment for a course
37 of education or training under the Army Specialized Training Program
38 or the Navy College Training Program, which course was a
39 continuation of a civilian course and was pursued to completion, or as
40 a cadet or midshipman at one of the service academies; except that any
41 person receiving an actual service-incurred injury or disability shall be

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.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

¹ Senate floor amendments adopted June 22, 1998.

1 classed a veteran whether or not that person has completed the 90-day
2 service;

3 (3) Korean conflict, on or after June 23, 1950, who shall have
4 served at least 90 days beginning on or before January 31, 1955, in
5 active service, exclusive of any period of assignment for a course of
6 education or training under the Army Specialized Training Program or
7 the Navy College Training Program, which course was a continuation
8 of a civilian course and was pursued to completion, or as a cadet or
9 midshipman at one of the service academies; except that any person
10 receiving an actual service-incurred injury or disability shall be classed
11 as a veteran, whether or not that person has completed the 90-day
12 service;

13 (4) Vietnam conflict, on or after December 31, 1960, who shall
14 have served at least 90 days beginning on or before May 7, 1975, in
15 active service, exclusive of any period of assignment for a course of
16 education or training under the Army Specialized Training Program or
17 the Navy College Training Program, which course was a continuation
18 of a civilian course and was pursued to completion, or as a cadet or
19 midshipman at one of the service academies, and exclusive of any
20 service performed pursuant to the provisions of section 511(d) of Title
21 10, United States Code, or exclusive of any service performed
22 pursuant to enlistment in the National Guard or the Army Reserve,
23 Naval Reserve, Air Force Reserve, Marine Corps Reserve, or Coast
24 Guard Reserve; except that any person receiving an actual
25 service-incurred injury or disability shall be classed as a veteran,
26 whether or not that person has completed the 90-day service as
27 provided;

28 (5) Lebanon peacekeeping mission, on or after September 26,
29 1982, who has served in Lebanon or on board any ship actively
30 engaged in patrolling the territorial waters of that nation for a period,
31 continuous or in the aggregate, of at least 14 days commencing on or
32 before December 1, 1987 or the date of termination of that mission, as
33 proclaimed by the President of the United States or Congress,
34 whichever date of termination is the latest, in such active service;
35 provided, that any person receiving an actual service-incurred injury
36 or disability shall be classed as a veteran whether or not that person
37 has completed the 14 days service as herein provided;

38 (6) Grenada peacekeeping mission, on or after October 23, 1983,
39 who has served in Grenada or on board any ship actively engaged in
40 patrolling the territorial waters of that nation for a period, continuous
41 or in the aggregate, of at least 14 days commencing on or before
42 November 21, 1983 or the date of termination of that mission, as
43 proclaimed by the President of the United States or Congress,
44 whichever date of termination is the latest, in such active service;
45 provided, that any person receiving an actual service-incurred injury
46 or disability shall be classed as a veteran whether or not that person

1 has completed the 14 days' service as herein provided;

2 (7) Panama peacekeeping mission, on or after December 20, 1989
3 or the date of inception of that mission, as proclaimed by the President
4 of the United States or Congress, whichever date of inception is
5 earliest, who has served in Panama or on board any ship actively
6 engaged in patrolling the territorial waters of that nation for a period,
7 continuous or in the aggregate, of at least 14 days commencing on or
8 before January 31, 1990 or the date of termination of that mission, as
9 proclaimed by the President of the United States or Congress,
10 whichever date of termination is the latest, in such active service;
11 provided, that any person receiving an actual service-incurred injury
12 or disability shall be classed as a veteran whether or not that person
13 has completed the 14 days' service as herein provided;

14 (8) Operation "Desert Shield/Desert Storm" mission in the Arabian
15 peninsula and the Persian Gulf, on or after August 2, 1990 or the date
16 of inception of that operation, as proclaimed by the President of the
17 United States or Congress, whichever date of inception is earliest, who
18 has served in the Arabian peninsula or on board any ship actively
19 engaged in patrolling the Persian Gulf for a period, continuous or in
20 the aggregate, of at least 14 days commencing on or before the date
21 of termination of that mission, as proclaimed by the President of the
22 United States [.]or Congress [or the Governor], whichever date of
23 termination is the latest, in such active service; provided, that any
24 person receiving an actual service-incurred injury or disability shall be
25 classed as a veteran whether or not that person has completed the 14
26 days' service as herein provided[.];

27 (9) Operation "Restore Hope" in Somalia, commencing on or after
28 December 5, 1992, or the date of inception of that operation as
29 proclaimed by the President of the United States or the Congress,
30 whichever date is earliest, and terminating on March 31, 1994, or the
31 date of termination as proclaimed by the President of the United States
32 or the Congress, whichever date is latest, who served for at least 14
33 days, continuously or in the aggregate, in Somalia or on board any
34 ship actively engaged in patrolling the territorial waters of that nation
35 during the specified period; provided that any person receiving an
36 actual service-incurred injury or disability shall be classed as a veteran
37 whether or not that person has completed the 14-day service as herein
38 provided; and

39 (10) Operations "Joint Endeavor" and "Joint Guard" in the Republic
40 of Bosnia and Herzegovina, commencing on or after November 20,
41 1995 or December 20, 1996, as the case may be, and terminating on
42 December 20, 1996 or on such date as the United States Secretary of
43 Defense may designate, as the case may be, who served in direct
44 support of one or both of the operations for at least 14 days,
45 continuously or in the aggregate, and (1) was deployed in that nation
46 or in another area in the region, or (2) was on board a United States

1 naval vessel operating in the Adriatic Sea, or (3) operated in airspace
2 above the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina; provided that any
3 person receiving an actual service-incurred injury or disability shall be
4 classed as a veteran whether or not that person completed the 14-day
5 service requirement.

6 c. "War service" means service by a veteran in any war or conflict
7 described in this chapter during the periods specified.

8 (cf: P.L.1995, c.406, s.1)

9
10 ¹2. Section 1 of P.L.1963, c.171 (C.54:4-8.10) is amended to read
11 as follows:

12 1. (a) "Active service in time of war" means active service at some
13 time during one of the following periods:

14 Operation "Restore Hope" in Somalia, commencing on or after
15 December 5, 1992, or the date of inception of that operation as
16 proclaimed by the President of the United States or the Congress,
17 whichever date is earliest, and terminating on March 31, 1994, or the
18 date of termination as proclaimed by the President of the United States
19 or the Congress, whichever date is latest, who served for at least 14
20 days, continuously or in the aggregate, in Somalia or on board any
21 ship actively engaged in patrolling the territorial waters of that nation
22 during the specified period; provided that any person receiving an
23 actual service-incurred injury or disability shall be classed as a veteran
24 whether or not that person has completed the 14-day service as herein
25 provided;

26 Operations "Joint Endeavor" and "Joint Guard" in the Republic of
27 Bosnia and Herzegovina, commencing on or after November 20, 1995
28 or December 20, 1996, as the case may be, and terminating on
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31 support of one or both of the operations for at least 14 days,
32 continuously or in the aggregate, and (1) was deployed in that nation
33 or in another area in the region, or (2) was on board a United States
34 naval vessel operating in the Adriatic Sea, or (3) operated in airspace
35 above the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina; provided that any
36 person receiving an actual service-incurred injury or disability shall be
37 classed as a veteran whether or not that person completed the 14-day
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44 engaged in patrolling the Persian Gulf for a period, continuous or in
45 the aggregate, of at least 14 days commencing on or before the date
46 of termination of that mission, as proclaimed by the President of the

1 United States[,] or Congress [or the Governor], whichever date of
2 termination is the latest, in such active service; provided, that any
3 person receiving an actual service-incurred injury or disability shall be
4 classed as a veteran whether or not that person has completed the 14
5 days' service as herein provided;

6 The Panama peacekeeping mission, on or after December 20, 1989
7 or the date of inception of that mission, as proclaimed by the President
8 of the United States or Congress, whichever date of inception is
9 earliest, who has served in Panama or on board any ship actively
10 engaged in patrolling the territorial waters of that nation for a period,
11 continuous or in the aggregate, of at least 14 days commencing on or
12 before January 31, 1990 or the date of termination of that mission, as
13 proclaimed by the President of the United States or Congress,
14 whichever date of termination is the latest, in such active service;
15 provided, that any person receiving an actual service-incurred injury
16 or disability shall be classed as a veteran whether or not that person
17 has completed the 14 days' service as herein provided;

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20 patrolling the territorial waters of that nation for a period, continuous
21 or in the aggregate, of at least 14 days commencing on or before
22 November 21, 1983 or the date of termination of that mission as
23 proclaimed by the President of the United States or Congress,
24 whichever date of termination is the latest, in such active service;
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26 or disability shall be classed as a veteran whether or not that person
27 has completed the 14 days' service as herein provided;

28 The Lebanon peacekeeping mission, on or after September 26, 1982,
29 who has served in Lebanon or on board any ship actively engaged in
30 patrolling the territorial waters of that nation for a period, continuous
31 or in the aggregate, of at least 14 days commencing on or before
32 December 1, 1987 or the date of termination of that mission, as
33 proclaimed by the President of the United States or Congress,
34 whichever date of termination is the latest, in such active service;
35 provided, that any person receiving an actual service-incurred injury
36 or disability shall be classed as a veteran whether or not that person
37 has completed the 14 days' service as herein provided;

38 The Vietnam conflict, December 31, 1960, to May 7, 1975;

39 The Korean conflict, June 23, 1950 to January 31, 1955;

40 World War II, September 16, 1940 to December 31, 1946;

41 World War I, April 6, 1917 to November 11, 1918, and in the case
42 of service with the United States military forces in Russia, April 6,
43 1917 to April 1, 1920;

44 Spanish-American War, April 21, 1898 to August 13, 1898;

45 Civil War, April 15, 1861 to May 26, 1865; or, as to any
46 subsequent war, during the period from the date of declaration of war

1 to the date on which actual hostilities shall cease.

2 (b) "Assessor" means the assessor, board of assessors or any other
3 official or body of a taxing district charged with the duty of assessing
4 real and personal property for the purpose of general taxation.

5 (c) "Collector" means the collector or receiver of taxes of a taxing
6 district.

7 (d) "Honorably discharged or released under honorable
8 circumstances from active service in time of war," means and includes
9 every form of separation from active, full-time duty with military or
10 naval pay and allowances in some branch of the Armed Forces of the
11 United States in time of war, other than those marked "dishonorable,"
12 "undesirable," "bad conduct," "by sentence of general court martial,"
13 "by sentence of summary court martial" or similar expression
14 indicating that the discharge or release was not under honorable
15 circumstances. A disenrollment certificate or other form of release
16 terminating temporary service in a military or naval branch of the
17 armed forces rendered on a voluntary and part-time basis without pay,
18 or a release from or deferment of induction into the active military or
19 naval service shall not be deemed to be included in the aforementioned
20 phrase.

21 (e) "Pre-tax year" means the particular calendar year immediately
22 preceding the "tax year."

23 (f) "Resident" means one legally domiciled within the State of New
24 Jersey. Mere seasonal or temporary residence within the State, of
25 whatever duration, shall not constitute domicile within the State for
26 the purposes of this act. Absence from this State for a period of 12
27 months shall be prima facie evidence of abandonment of domicile in
28 this State. The burden of establishing legal domicile within the State
29 shall be upon the claimant.

30 (g) "Tax year" means the particular calendar year in which the
31 general property tax is due and payable.

32 (h) "Veteran" means any citizen and resident of this State
33 honorably discharged or released under honorable circumstances from
34 active service in time of war in any branch of the Armed Forces of the
35 United States.

36 (i) "Veteran's deduction" means the deduction against the taxes
37 payable by any person, allowable pursuant to this act.

38 (j) "Surviving spouse" means the surviving wife or husband of any
39 of the following, while he or she is a resident of this State, during
40 widowhood or widowerhood:

41 1. A citizen and resident of this State who has died or shall die
42 while on active duty in time of war in any branch of the Armed Forces
43 of the United States; or

44 2. A citizen and resident of this State who has had or shall
45 hereafter have active service in time of war in any branch of the Armed
46 Forces of the United States and who died or shall die while on active

1 duty in a branch of the Armed Forces of the United States; or

2 3. A citizen and resident of this State who has been or may
3 hereafter be honorably discharged or released under honorable
4 circumstances from active service in time of war in any branch of the
5 Armed Forces of the United States.

6 (k) "Cooperative" means a housing corporation or association
7 incorporated or organized under the laws of New Jersey which entitles
8 a shareholder thereof to possess and occupy for dwelling purposes a
9 house, apartment or other structure owned or leased by the
10 corporation or association;

11 (l) "Mutual housing corporation" means a corporation
12 not-for-profit incorporated under the laws of New Jersey on a mutual
13 or cooperative basis within the scope of section 607 of the "National
14 Defense Housing Act," Pub.L.76-849 (42 U.S.C.1521 et seq.), which
15 acquired a National Defense Housing Project pursuant to that act.¹
16 (cf: P.L.1995, c.406, s.5)

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18 ¹[2.] 3.¹ This act shall take effect immediately.

SENATE, No. 1155

STATE OF NEW JERSEY 208th LEGISLATURE

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10 STATEMENT

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13 served in the peace-keeping operations in Somalia and the Republic
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STATEMENT TO
SENATE, No. 1155

with Senate Floor Amendments
(Proposed By Senator CAFIERO)

ADOPTED: JUNE 22, 1998

The purpose of this Senate amendment is to provide that a veteran of Operation "Restore Hope" (Somalia) and Operations "Joint Endeavor" and "Joint Guard" (Bosnia and Herzegovina) would be entitled to the annual \$50 personal property tax exemption provided for by Article VIII of the New Jersey Constitution.

ASSEMBLY, No. 2131

STATE OF NEW JERSEY 208th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED JUNE 1, 1998

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SYNOPSIS

Extends civil service veterans preference to those who served in Somalia, Bosnia and Herzegovina.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



1 AN ACT concerning the qualification of certain persons as veterans for
2 civil service purposes and amending N.J.S.11A:5-1.

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

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7 1. N.J.S.11A:5-1 is amended to read as follows:

8 11A:5-1. Definitions. As used in this chapter:

9 a. "Disabled veteran" means any veteran who is eligible to be
10 compensated for a service-connected disability from war service by the
11 United States Veterans Administration or who receives or is entitled
12 to receive equivalent compensation for a service-connected disability
13 which arises out of military or naval service as set forth in this chapter
14 and who has submitted sufficient evidence of the record of disability
15 incurred in the line of duty to the commissioner on or before the
16 closing date for filing an application for an examination;

17 b. "Veteran" means any honorably discharged soldier, sailor,
18 marine or nurse who served in any army or navy of the allies of the
19 United States in World War I, between July 14, 1914 and
20 November 11, 1918, or who served in any army or navy of the allies
21 of the United States in World War II, between September 1, 1939 and
22 September 2, 1945 and who was inducted into that service through
23 voluntary enlistment, and was a citizen of the United States at the time
24 of the enlistment, and who did not renounce or lose his or her United
25 States citizenship; or any soldier, sailor, marine, airman, nurse or army
26 field clerk, who has served in the active military or naval service of the
27 United States and has been discharged or released under other than
28 dishonorable conditions from that service in any of the following wars
29 or conflicts and who has presented to the commissioner sufficient
30 evidence of the record of service on or before the closing date for
31 filing an application for an examination:

32 (1) World War I, between April 6, 1917 and November 11, 1918;

33 (2) World War II, on or after September 16, 1940, who shall have
34 served at least 90 days beginning on or before December 31, 1946 in
35 such active service, exclusive of any period of assignment for a course
36 of education or training under the Army Specialized Training Program
37 or the Navy College Training Program, which course was a
38 continuation of a civilian course and was pursued to completion, or as
39 a cadet or midshipman at one of the service academies; except that any
40 person receiving an actual service-incurred injury or disability shall be
41 classed a veteran whether or not that person has completed the 90-day
42 service;

43 (3) Korean conflict, on or after June 23, 1950, who shall have

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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1 served at least 90 days beginning on or before January 31, 1955, in
2 active service, exclusive of any period of assignment for a course of
3 education or training under the Army Specialized Training Program or
4 the Navy College Training Program, which course was a continuation
5 of a civilian course and was pursued to completion, or as a cadet or
6 midshipman at one of the service academies; except that any person
7 receiving an actual service-incurred injury or disability shall be classed
8 as a veteran, whether or not that person has completed the 90-day
9 service;

10 (4) Vietnam conflict, on or after December 31, 1960, who shall
11 have served at least 90 days beginning on or before May 7, 1975, in
12 active service, exclusive of any period of assignment for a course of
13 education or training under the Army Specialized Training Program or
14 the Navy College Training Program, which course was a continuation
15 of a civilian course and was pursued to completion, or as a cadet or
16 midshipman at one of the service academies, and exclusive of any
17 service performed pursuant to the provisions of section 511(d) of Title
18 10, United States Code, or exclusive of any service performed
19 pursuant to enlistment in the National Guard or the Army Reserve,
20 Naval Reserve, Air Force Reserve, Marine Corps Reserve, or Coast
21 Guard Reserve; except that any person receiving an actual
22 service-incurred injury or disability shall be classed as a veteran,
23 whether or not that person has completed the 90-day service as
24 provided;

25 (5) Lebanon peacekeeping mission, on or after September 26,
26 1982, who has served in Lebanon or on board any ship actively
27 engaged in patrolling the territorial waters of that nation for a period,
28 continuous or in the aggregate, of at least 14 days commencing on or
29 before December 1, 1987 or the date of termination of that mission, as
30 proclaimed by the President of the United States or Congress,
31 whichever date of termination is the latest, in such active service;
32 provided, that any person receiving an actual service-incurred injury
33 or disability shall be classed as a veteran whether or not that person
34 has completed the 14 days service as herein provided;

35 (6) Grenada peacekeeping mission, on or after October 23, 1983,
36 who has served in Grenada or on board any ship actively engaged in
37 patrolling the territorial waters of that nation for a period, continuous
38 or in the aggregate, of at least 14 days commencing on or before
39 November 21, 1983 or the date of termination of that mission, as
40 proclaimed by the President of the United States or Congress,
41 whichever date of termination is the latest, in such active service;
42 provided, that any person receiving an actual service-incurred injury
43 or disability shall be classed as a veteran whether or not that person
44 has completed the 14 days' service as herein provided;

45 (7) Panama peacekeeping mission, on or after December 20, 1989
46 or the date of inception of that mission, as proclaimed by the President

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1 of the United States or Congress, whichever date of inception is
2 earliest, who has served in Panama or on board any ship actively
3 engaged in patrolling the territorial waters of that nation for a period,
4 continuous or in the aggregate, of at least 14 days commencing on or
5 before January 31, 1990 or the date of termination of that mission, as
6 proclaimed by the President of the United States or Congress,
7 whichever date of termination is the latest, in such active service;
8 provided, that any person receiving an actual service-incurred injury
9 or disability shall be classed as a veteran whether or not that person
10 has completed the 14 days' service as herein provided;

11 (8) Operation "Desert Shield/Desert Storm" mission in the Arabian
12 peninsula and the Persian Gulf, on or after August 2, 1990 or the date
13 of inception of that operation, as proclaimed by the President of the
14 United States or Congress, whichever date of inception is earliest, who
15 has served in the Arabian peninsula or on board any ship actively
16 engaged in patrolling the Persian Gulf for a period, continuous or in
17 the aggregate, of at least 14 days commencing on or before the date
18 of termination of that mission, as proclaimed by the President of the
19 United States [,]or Congress [or the Governor], whichever date of
20 termination is the latest, in such active service; provided, that any
21 person receiving an actual service-incurred injury or disability shall be
22 classed as a veteran whether or not that person has completed the 14
23 days' service as herein provided[.]:

24 (9) Operation "Restore Hope" in Somalia, commencing on or after
25 December 5, 1992, or the date of inception of that operation as
26 proclaimed by the President of the United States or the Congress,
27 whichever date is earliest, and terminating on March 31, 1994, or the
28 date of termination as proclaimed by the President of the United States
29 or the Congress, whichever date is latest, who served for at least 14
30 days, continuously or in the aggregate, in Somalia or on board any
31 ship actively engaged in patrolling the territorial waters of that nation
32 during the specified period; provided that any person receiving an
33 actual service-incurred injury or disability shall be classed as a veteran
34 whether or not that person has completed the 14-day service as herein
35 provided; and

36 (10) Operations "Joint Endeavor" and "Joint Guard" in the Republic
37 of Bosnia and Herzegovina, commencing on or after November 20,
38 1995 or December 20, 1996, as the case may be, and terminating on
39 December 20, 1996 or on such date as the United States Secretary of
40 Defense may designate, as the case may be, who served in direct
41 support of one or both of the operations for at least 14 days,
42 continuously or in the aggregate, and (1) was deployed in that nation
43 or in another area in the region, or (2) was on board a United States
44 naval vessel operating in the Adriatic Sea, or (3) operated in airspace
45 above the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina; provided that any
46 person receiving an actual service-incurred injury or disability shall be

1 classed as a veteran whether or not that person completed the 14-day
2 service requirement.

3 c. "War service" means service by a veteran in any war or conflict
4 described in this chapter during the periods specified.
5 (cf: P.L.1995, c.406, s.1)

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7 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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10 STATEMENT

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12 This bill extends civil service veterans preference to those who
13 served in the peace-keeping operations in Somalia and the Republic
14 of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

ASSEMBLY STATE GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 2131

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JUNE 18, 1998

The Assembly State Government Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Assembly Bill No. 2131.

The bill extends civil service veterans preference and the \$50 annual personal property tax exemption to those persons who served in the armed forces of the United States in peace-keeping operations in Somalia and the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

The bill defines as a veteran any person who served in:

1) Operation "Restore Hope" in Somalia, commencing on or after December 5, 1992, or the date of inception of that operation as proclaimed by the President of the United States or the Congress, whichever date is earliest, and terminating on March 31, 1994, or the date of termination as proclaimed by the President of the United States or the Congress, whichever date is latest, who served for at least 14 days, continuously or in the aggregate, in Somalia or on board any ship actively engaged in patrolling the territorial waters of that nation during the specified period. Any person receiving an actual service-incurred injury or disability shall be classed as a veteran whether or not that person has completed the 14-day service as provided by the bill; or

2) Operations "Joint Endeavor" and "Joint Guard" in the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina, commencing on or after November 20, 1995 or December 20, 1996, as the case may be, and terminating on December 20, 1996 or on such date as the United States Secretary of Defense may designate, as the case may be, who served in direct support of one or both of the operations for at least 14 days, continuously or in the aggregate, and (1) was deployed in that nation or in another area in the region, or (2) was on board a United States naval vessel operating in the Adriatic Sea, or (3) operated in airspace above the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina. Any person receiving an actual service-incurred injury or disability shall be classed as a veteran whether or not that person completed the 14-day service requirement.

As amended by committee, the bill also provides that a veteran of Operation "Restore Hope" or Operations "Joint Endeavor" and "Joint Guard" would be entitled to the annual \$50 personal property tax exemption provided for by Article VIII of the New Jersey Constitution.