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2003 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES
BILL/RESOLUTION NO. HB 1227
House Education Committee

Conference Committee

Hearing Date January 21, 2003

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2	x		0-1590
Committee Clerk Signature <i>Linda Guenther</i>			

Minutes: Vice Chair Johnson opened the hearing on HB 1227

Rep. Ole Aarsvold, District 20 See Attached Testimony

Rep. Solberg Would it be appropriate for Vietnam War to be included?

Aarsvold: We have discussed that with the vets group, it there sense that there would be few that would qualify. But please pursue it further, we have no problem with the amendment of the time bill to include them.

Rep. Hunskor Even there are few for the Vietnam would qualify, lets add them for that reason that they are not left out?

Aarsvold: I do not oppose that.

Chairman Kelsch, District 34, Mandan.

As Rep. Aarsvold explained the bill. During the interim we had a lot of e-mail's after the last session to include the Korean Conflict veterans. We felt that this was important to do it. Rep. Solberg did talk to me about the Vietnam vets. We would be happy to include them. This is a great way to honor these individuals and give them their diploma. Dr. Sanstead said they have

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given out in excess of 200 diplomas. I is nice to See that it is being utilized, and that the veteran truly do appreciate them. I would ask for your consideration. Don't close the hearing Dr.

Sanstead would like to come and make a few comments.

Senator David O'Connell from District 6.

Thank you for introducing this bill, I think it is very important. I had a family come to me where the wife wanted to give this as a 50th wedding anniversary gift. I have also had a family come to me their dad was dying. This was his one wish that he could have diploma from high school. I don't know why we overlooked these individuals but lets get it done, it will be appreciated.

Arnold Beyer, Veteran's Coordinating Council

Two years ago I stood before this group asking for high school diplomas. The program was very successful there has been 285 recipients of this diploma. Giving these diplomas to veteran are receiving them with their sons and grandsons. Please give his honor to the Korean and Vietnam vets. It is the least we could do.

Gene Kouba, I work for the Commissioner for Veterans Affairs of Fargo

You had asked about W.W.I veterans, ND has 1 veteran alive living with his son in California. He has written a book and we are trying to get that published. His name is Hoffman from Carrington. We had 285 diplomas, the thank you have gone one for many months. Extremely well received. At the fifty year anniversary which is in July, this is good timing.

Jim Coats, Mandan See Attached Testimony

Opposition- none

Rep. Williams adding the Vietnam vets we need the dates to make the wording correct.

Gene Kouba will provide those dates to the committee.

Dorinda Haldrup
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2003 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES
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Hearing Date January 22, 2003

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1	x		4370-end
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Committee Clerk Signature <i>Linda Guenther</i>			

Minutes: Chairman Kelsch opened hearing on HB 1227

Dr. Wayne Sanstead, Superintendent for the Department of Public Instruction.

Thank you for allowing me to speak to you on HB1227, in support of this bill. Last session we passed a bill that allowed W.W.II veterans to receive an honorary diploma. The response was overwhelming. To date 285 diplomas have been given out in private ceremonies and high school graduations. The thank yous for this are still coming in. **See Attached Testimony Regarding the 50th anniversary of the Korean Conflict.**

I heard your discussion on including the Vietnam War veterans, I encourage you to include them, they served our country and deserve to be recognized.

A simple one page application is completed plus their discharge papers.

Dr. Sanstead's comments are lengthy, and do not all apply to this bill.

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House Education Committee**

Conference Committee

Hearing Date January 28, 2003

Tape Number	Side A	Side B	Meter #
1	x		4222-5152
Committee Clerk Signature <i>Linda Fiechter</i>			

Minutes: **Chairman Kelsch** opened the committee work on HB 1227.

Chairman Kelsch reviewed the bill so that the students in the room were aware of what the discussion was about for our veterans.

Chairman Kelsch Do we have the dates for the Vietnam War so that we can amend this bill.

Rep. Solberg moved to accept the amendment, Rep. Haas second, passed voice vote.

Rep. Herbel moved to DO PASS AS AMENDED, Rep. Mueller second.

DO PASS AS AMENDED, 14-0-0 Vice Chair Johnson will carry the bill.

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January 28, 2003

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HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1227 EDU. 1-29-03

Page 1, line 19, after "3." insert "Any Vietnam conflict veteran who did not receive a high school diploma may apply for an honorary high school diploma, provided:

- a. The veteran entered the United States armed forces between February 28, 1961, and May 7, 1975; and
- b. The veteran was honorably discharged from the United States armed forces.

4."

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EDU. 1-29-03

Page 2, line 6, replace "4." with "5."

Page 2, line 8, replace "5." with "6."

Renumber accordingly

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