



## 102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

2021 and 2022

**HB3984**

Introduced 3/4/2021, by Rep. Joyce Mason

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

5 ILCS 70/1.43 new

Amends the Statute on Statutes. Provides that, in determining the meaning of any statute or rule or interpretation by the various administrative agencies of this State, for purposes of determining eligibility for any veterans benefit available from the State, the words "honorable discharge" and "honorably discharged" include a discharge under other than honorable conditions due to post-traumatic stress disorder, traumatic brain injury, status as a survivor of sexual assault or harassment, LGBTQ-related issues, or mental health issues, but do not include a bad conduct discharge or a dishonorable discharge.

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1 AN ACT concerning veterans.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Statute on Statutes is amended by adding  
5 Section 1.43 as follows:

6 (5 ILCS 70/1.43 new)

7 Sec. 1.43. Honorably discharged; veterans benefits. In  
8 determining the meaning of any statute or rule or  
9 interpretation by the various administrative agencies of this  
10 State, for purposes of determining eligibility for any  
11 veterans benefit available from the State, the words  
12 "honorable discharge" and "honorably discharged" include a  
13 discharge under other than honorable conditions due to  
14 post-traumatic stress disorder, traumatic brain injury, status  
15 as a survivor of sexual assault or harassment, LGBTQ-related  
16 issues, or mental health issues, but do not include a bad  
17 conduct discharge or a dishonorable discharge.