

1 AN ACT concerning veterans homes.

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

4 Section 5. The Department of Veterans Affairs Act is
5 amended by changing Section 2.01 as follows:

6 (20 ILCS 2805/2.01) (from Ch. 126 1/2, par. 67.01)

7 Sec. 2.01. Any honorably discharged veteran or honorably
8 discharged former member of the armed forces is entitled to
9 admission to an Illinois Veterans Home, if the applicant:

10 (a) (1) Has served in the armed forces of the United
11 States at least 1 day in the Spanish American War, World War
12 I, World War II, the Korean Conflict, the Viet Nam Campaign,
13 or the Persian Gulf Conflict between the dates recognized by
14 the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs or between any other
15 present or future dates recognized by the U.S. Department of
16 Veterans Affairs as a war period, or has served in a hostile
17 fire environment and has been awarded a campaign or an
18 expeditionary medal signifying his or her service, for
19 purposes of eligibility for domiciliary or nursing home care;
20 or

21 (2) Has served on active duty in the armed forces for
22 one year for purposes of eligibility for domiciliary care
23 only; and

24 (b) Has service accredited to the State of Illinois or
25 has been a resident of this State for one year immediately
26 preceding the date of application; and

27 (c) For admission to the Illinois Veterans Homes at Anna
28 and Quincy, is disabled by disease, wounds, or otherwise and
29 because of the disability is incapable of earning a living;
30 or

31 (d) For admission to the Illinois Veterans Homes at

1 LaSalle and Manteno and for admission to the John Joseph
2 Kelly Veteran's Home, is disabled by disease, wounds, or
3 otherwise and, for purposes of eligibility for nursing home
4 care, requires nursing care because of the disability.
5 (Source: P.A. 91-634, eff. 8-19-99.)

6 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect on
7 January 1, 2002.