

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

**SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1007**

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STATE RETIREMENT SYSTEMS—INTERRUPTIVE MILITARY SERVICE CREDIT

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Passed by the House February 1, 2023  
Yeas 97 Nays 0

LAURIE JINKINS

**Speaker of the House of  
Representatives**

Passed by the Senate March 22, 2023  
Yeas 49 Nays 0

DENNY HECK

**President of the Senate**

Approved April 6, 2023 9:06 AM

JAY INSLEE

**Governor of the State of Washington**

CERTIFICATE

I, Bernard Dean, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1007** as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

BERNARD DEAN

**Chief Clerk**

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**Secretary of State  
State of Washington**

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**By** House Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representatives Paul, Stokesbary, Bergquist, Leavitt, Simmons, Griffey, Callan, Doglio, Timmons, Reeves, Bronoske, Shavers, Riccelli, and Ormsby; by request of LEOFF Plan 2 Retirement Board and Select Committee on Pension Policy)

READ FIRST TIME 01/27/23.

1            AN ACT Relating to interruptive military service credit for  
2 members of the state retirement systems; amending RCW 41.04.005; and  
3 creating a new section.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5            **Sec. 1.** RCW 41.04.005 and 2020 c 178 s 1 are each amended to  
6 read as follows:

7            (1) As used in this section and RCW 41.16.220, 41.20.050, and  
8 41.40.170 "veteran" includes every person, who at the time he or she  
9 seeks the benefits of this section and RCW 41.16.220, 41.20.050, or  
10 41.40.170 has received an honorable discharge, is actively serving  
11 honorably, or received a discharge for physical reasons with an  
12 honorable record and who meets at least one of the following  
13 criteria:

14            (a) The person has served between World War I and World War II or  
15 during any period of war, as defined in subsection (2) of this  
16 section, as either:

17            (i) A member in any branch of the armed forces of the United  
18 States;

19            (ii) A member of the women's air forces service pilots;

20            (iii) A U.S. documented merchant mariner with service aboard an  
21 oceangoing vessel operated by the war shipping administration, the

1 office of defense transportation, or their agents, from December 7,  
2 1941, through December 31, 1946; or

3 (iv) A civil service crewmember with service aboard a U.S. army  
4 transport service or U.S. naval transportation service vessel in  
5 oceangoing service from December 7, 1941, through December 31, 1946;  
6 or

7 (b) The person has received the armed forces expeditionary medal,  
8 or marine corps and navy expeditionary medal, for opposed action on  
9 foreign soil, for service:

10 (i) In any branch of the armed forces of the United States; or

11 (ii) As a member of the women's air forces service pilots.

12 (2) A "period of war" includes:

13 (a) World War I;

14 (b) World War II;

15 (c) The Korean conflict;

16 (d) The Vietnam era, which means:

17 (i) The period beginning on February 28, 1961, and ending on May  
18 7, 1975, in the case of a veteran who served in the Republic of  
19 Vietnam during that period;

20 (ii) The period beginning August 5, 1964, and ending on May 7,  
21 1975;

22 (e) The Persian Gulf War, which was the period beginning August  
23 2, 1990, and ending on February 28, 1991, or ending on November 30,  
24 1995, if the participant was awarded a campaign badge or medal for  
25 such period;

26 (f) The period beginning on the date of any future declaration of  
27 war by the congress and ending on the date prescribed by presidential  
28 proclamation or concurrent resolution of the congress; and

29 (g) Any armed conflicts, if the participant was awarded the  
30 respective campaign or expeditionary badge or medal, or if the  
31 service was such that a campaign or expeditionary badge or medal  
32 would have been awarded, except that the member already received a  
33 campaign or expeditionary badge or medal for a prior deployment  
34 during that same conflict.

35 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** The definition of veteran in section 1 of  
36 this act is retroactive for purposes of the retirement systems listed  
37 in RCW 41.50.030. Members who retired prior to the effective date of  
38 this act with eligible military service must have retirement benefits

1 recalculated and contributions adjusted consistent with the terms of  
2 this act.

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