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8 SYNOPSIS: Under existing law, the State
9 Superintendent of Education has the authority to
10 grant high school diplomas to honorably discharged
11 veterans of World War II and the Korean Conflict.

12 This bill would extend the program to
13 include Vietnam War veterans.
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15 A BILL
16 TO BE ENTITLED
17 AN ACT
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19 To amend Section 16-1-37, Code of Alabama 1975,
20 relating to public education, to provide further for the
21 issuance of high school diplomas to certain honorably
22 discharged veterans.

23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

24 Section 1. Section 16-1-37, Code of Alabama 1975, is
25 amended to read as follows:

26 "§16-1-37.

1 "The State Superintendent of Education may award a
2 standard high school diploma to any honorably discharged
3 veteran who served in the United States Armed Forces at
4 anytime between December 7, 1941, and January 31, 1946, ~~and~~
5 between June 27, 1950, and January 31, 1955, and between
6 November 15, 1961, and March 28, 1973; was a resident of
7 Alabama prior to entry into the United States Armed Forces;
8 and whose entry into the United States Armed Forces
9 interrupted high school attendance and prevented graduation.
10 Upon the recommendation of the State Superintendent of
11 Education, the State Board of Education shall develop criteria
12 and guidelines necessary for the implementation of this
13 section."

14 Section 2. This act shall become effective on the
15 first day of the third month following its passage and
16 approval by the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.