
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 304 Session of
2017

INTRODUCED BY GOODMAN, KORTZ, BARBIN, BOBACK, D. COSTA, DEAN,
DEASY, FARRY, FREEMAN, GILLEN, GODSHALL, HEFFLEY, KINSEY,
MATZIE, McNEILL, MILLARD, D. MILLER, NEILSON, O'BRIEN,
PETRARCA, READSHAW, SCHWEYER AND WATSON, FEBRUARY 3, 2017

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY
PREPAREDNESS, FEBRUARY 3, 2017

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 51 (Military Affairs) of the Pennsylvania
2 Consolidated Statutes, in veterans' pensions and benefits,
3 further providing for blind veteran's pension and for amputee
4 and paralyzed veteran's pension.

5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
6 hereby enacts as follows:

7 Section 1. Sections 7701(b) and 7702(a) of Title 51 of the
8 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes are amended to read:

9 § 7701. Blind veteran's pension.

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11 (b) Amount and eligibility.--In addition to any other
12 assistance provided by the Commonwealth and in addition to any
13 compensation provided by the Federal Government, every blind
14 veteran shall be paid a pension of [~~\$150~~] \$200 per month.
15 Applications for such pensions shall be made to and in the form
16 prescribed by the department. The Adjutant General shall have
17 the power, and it shall be his duty to determine the eligibility

1 of every applicant for a pension, and his decision in the matter
2 shall be final.

3 § 7702. Amputee and paralyzed veteran's pension.

4 (a) Amount and eligibility.--In addition to any other
5 assistance provided by the Commonwealth and in addition to any
6 compensation provided by the Federal Government, every amputee
7 and paralyzed veteran shall be paid a pension of [\$150] \$200 per
8 month. Applications for the pensions shall be made to and in the
9 form prescribed by the department. The Adjutant General shall
10 determine the eligibility of every applicant for a pension, and
11 his decision in the matter shall be final.

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13 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.