

HOUSE BILL 2961

By Womick

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49,
relative to combat veterans.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 7, Part 1, is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated section:

(a) As used in this section, "combat veteran" means a person who has entered and served honorably in the United States armed forces on active duty, active national guard or active reserves, during a period of war recognized by the federal department of veterans affairs or department of defense.

(b) A combat veteran who is a current resident of this state or whose home of record for military purposes is Tennessee and who is a student at a public institution of higher education shall be allowed to register for classes prior to the general student population at any public institution of higher education. Early registration shall occur using the same procedure used by student athletes, disabled students and honor students, if such groups are permitted to early register.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.