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By Senate Committee on Education (originally sponsored by Senators West, Shin, Sheahan, Honeyford, Hewitt, Roach, Finkbeiner, Hale, Kline, McAuliffe, Winsley, Mulliken, Rasmussen and Schmidt)

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1 AN ACT Relating to high school diplomas for veterans of the Korean
2 conflict; and amending RCW 28A.230.120.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 28A.230.120 and 2002 c 35 s 1 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 (1) School districts shall issue diplomas to students signifying
7 graduation from high school upon the students' satisfactory completion
8 of all local and state graduation requirements. Districts shall grant
9 students the option of receiving a final transcript in addition to the
10 regular diploma.

11 (2) School districts or schools of attendance shall establish
12 policies and procedures to notify senior students of the transcript
13 option and shall direct students to indicate their decisions in a
14 timely manner. School districts shall make appropriate provisions to
15 assure that students who choose to receive a copy of their final
16 transcript shall receive such transcript after graduation.

17 (3)(a) A school district may issue a high school diploma to a
18 person who:

1 (i) Is an honorably discharged member of the armed forces of the
2 United States;

3 (ii) Was scheduled to graduate from high school (~~after 1940 and~~
4 ~~before 1951~~) in the years 1940 through 1955; and

5 (iii) Left high school before graduation to serve in World War II
6 or the Korean conflict.

7 (b) A school district may issue a diploma to or on behalf of a
8 person otherwise eligible under (a) of this subsection notwithstanding
9 the fact that the person holds a high school equivalency certification
10 or is deceased.

11 (c) The superintendent of public instruction shall adopt a form for
12 a diploma application to be used by a veteran or a person acting on
13 behalf of a deceased veteran under this subsection (3). The
14 superintendent of public instruction shall specify what constitutes
15 acceptable evidence of eligibility for a diploma.

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