



**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

**H. No. 4451**

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BY REPRESENTATIVES VILLAR, BIAZON, DUMPIT, GIDAYA, SOLIS,  
MACARAMBON, GARCIA (V.), ROMAN, ABAYON AND FIGUEROA, PER  
COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 903

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AN ACT REDEFINING THE TERM "VETERAN" THEREBY AMENDING  
FURTHER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6948, AS AMENDED

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in  
Congress assembled:*

1           SECTION 1. Section 2(a), Title 1 of Republic Act No. 6948 is hereby  
2 further amended to read as follows:

3                   “(a) *Veteran* – any person who rendered military service  
4 in the land, sea or air forces of the Philippines during the revolution  
5 against Spain, the Philippine-American War, World War II,  
6 including Filipino citizens who served in Allied Forces in the  
7 Philippine territory and foreign nationals who served in Philippine  
8 forces, the Korean Campaign, the Vietnam Campaign, [the Anti-  
9 Dissidence Campaign, or other wars and military campaigns;] or

1           who rendered military service in the Armed Forces of the  
2           Philippines and [has been honorably discharged or separated after  
3           at least six (6) years total cumulative active service, or] **RETIRED**  
4           **OR WAS** sooner separated due to death or disability arising from a  
5           wound or injury received or sickness or disease incurred in line of  
6           duty while in the active service;"

7           SEC. 2. *Implementing Rules and Regulations.* – For purposes of the  
8           administration of veterans benefits provided for in Republic Act No. 6948, as  
9           amended, the Philippine Veterans Affairs Office of the Department of National  
10          Defense shall issue the implementing rules and regulations.

11          SEC. 3. *Repealing Clause.* – All laws, rules, regulations, orders,  
12          circulars and memoranda inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed or  
13          modified accordingly.

14          SEC. 4. *Effectivity.* – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days  
15          following its publication in at least two national newspapers of general  
16          circulation.

Approved,