

House Bill 462

By: Representatives Williams of the 145th, Collins of the 68th, Powell of the 32nd, Hitchens of the 161st, McGowan of the 138th, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Part 3 of Article 2 of Chapter 4 of Title 38 of the Official Code of Georgia
2 Annotated, relating to Georgia veterans cemeteries, so as to provide that members of the
3 National Guard discharged or separated under honorable conditions shall be eligible for
4 interment in a Georgia veterans cemetery; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting
5 laws; and for other purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 Part 3 of Article 2 of Chapter 4 of Title 38 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
9 relating to Georgia veterans cemeteries, is amended by revising subsection (b) of Code
10 Section 38-4-70, relating to cemeteries established and eligibility for interment, as follows:
11 "(b) The Department of Veterans Service has the primary responsibility for verifying
12 eligibility for interment in a Georgia veterans cemetery. Eligibility criteria for interment
13 in a Georgia veterans cemetery is shall be the same as required for interment in a national
14 cemetery as provided by federal law and rules and regulations applicable thereto; provided,
15 however, that members of the National Guard discharged or separated under honorable
16 conditions shall be eligible for interment in a Georgia veterans cemetery."

17 **SECTION 2.**

18 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.