

renewal at any time within one year from the effective date of this act or one year after having been released from service, whichever period expires last, and said person so filing shall have the same rights and privileges to the issuance of such renewal license, certificate, permit or other authorization as though his or her application therefor had been filed by the time required.

Whenever any period of time is required for service as an apprentice in, or in preparation for, any profession, trade or calling, by any of said laws, ordinances, rules or regulations, the applicant shall be entitled to credit thereon for the length of time during which he performed work or underwent training pertaining to said profession, trade or calling while in the armed forces of the United States, upon establishing proof thereof satisfactory to the appropriate examining board, adduced by certificate, affidavit or otherwise.

This Section shall be liberally construed.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency law and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety, and being passed upon a ye and nay vote, supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two houses of the General Assembly, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved March 24, 1945.

CHAPTER 310.

(Senate Bill 230)

AN ACT to add a new Article to the Annotated Code of Maryland, said new Article to be known as Article 96 $\frac{1}{2}$, to be titled "Veterans," and to follow immediately after Article 96 of said Code, defining Second World War Veterans, and providing that laws applying to Veterans of the First World War shall also apply to Second World War Veterans.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That a new Article be, and it is hereby added to the Annotated Code of Maryland, said new Article to be known as Article 96 $\frac{1}{2}$, to be titled "Veterans," to follow immediately after Article 96 of said Code, and to read as follows: